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A key is an instrument

used to unlock doors, trunks, drawers, and many other containers. There are keys everywhere, whose sole purpose is to be the medium between you and what is behind the door or in the trunk. These are tangible objects, which can be seen and felt. Some keys, however, cannot be directly seen or felt because they are invisible symbols.

Every girl that comes to Mount Vernon is given a ring upon which many symbolic keys are attached. These keys are the media between her and Mount Vernon life, whether it be class, sports, or outside activities. During the years at Mount Vernon, more keys will be added on to this ring that will unlock doors to the future.

Some keys such as honor, loyalty, and integrity are used for a lifetime. A girl's citizenship at Mount Vernon teaches her the use of these character building keys, as she learns to adjust to group life, and what it requires of her as an individual.

It is obvious that textbooks are keys also; ones that unlock the massive door to the labyrinth

called knowledge. Everyone is given the keys to the portal; the test comes in finding one's own way through the labyrinth after having unlocked the door.

Through the years at Mount Vernon the friends that you make are the keys that move the bolt on the door of happiness. Behind this is the savor of life itself, for what would life be without friends? School life offers many opportunities to enjoy the company of classmates at games, picnics, or dances. Some of the happiest hours spent in your life will be those working with your classmates on group projects.

Each graduating Senior has formed her own permanent key-ring that she will carry through life. Mount Vernon may have given her the basic keys; it will be up to her what she does with them in the future.

In the following pages we would like to show how these keys represent different aspects of Mount Vernon Life.



To the Class of 1958

When the history of our day comes to be written, surely your Senior Year, 1957-1958, will be recognized as a time of special challenge and significance for it was the year of the first man-made moons, the Sputniks and the Explorer.

It is as explorers that we salute you and wish you Godspeed as you start on your individual orbits, not into outer space, but into the still wider limitless country of the mind and of the spirit. Will you remember and carry with you on your journey these R's of which an English visitor reminded us, responsibility, resilience, resource? They will serve you well in your day-to-day endeavor as well as in moments of high adventure or of peril, and yet alone they are not enough. Our prayer for you is that to these will be added the assurance that "underneath are the everlasting arms."

Our pride in your past achievement and our loving hope for the future go with you all.

Oliver Lloyd.

I promise on my word of honor,

To hand in work that I have done myself and to receive no help from parents, friends, or other students unless my teacher is informed; to copy no work from other students, either in daily assignments, or in tests or examinations; to copy no material from books or periodicals without indicating the source.

To be prompt in attendance at Chapel, classes, activities, Physical Education classes; to report promptly to Study Hall or Library during study hours and to remain there throughout the period; to observe the rules of quiet, order and no communication with other students in Study Hall and Library.

To observe all rules concerning permissions; to fill in completely and correctly my permission slips and to go only to such places and with such persons as the slip indicates.

As one of the most important keys at Mount Vernon, our newly established Honor Code gives the true meaning of citizenship to every student. To it and its deepest meaning we dedicate the 1958 CUPOLA.

Last year the Honor Code was introduced to Mount Vernon on an experimental basis. Because of its success, it will remain, becoming a tradition and a guide for future citizens. The Honor Code is more than a set of regulations; it is a character building key to community life.

By its pledge, every individual takes upon herself certain responsibilities that lead toward maturity.

These responsibilities are based upon self-discipline, the essence of true character. The girls who feel capable of accepting this self-discipline by taking the Honor Pledge are deeply aware of its significance. The Pledge to abide by the Honor Code is voluntary; this personal acceptance being the foundation of its success.

We are very Proud of Our New Additions



Post Hall

Made possible through the gift of Mrs. Marjorie Merriweather Post, Post Hall was finished last year. It houses the enlarged Library, Post Hall, the Chapel Room, and several offices, as well. The Library is well equipped with beautiful furnishings and, of course, our extensive collection of books.

Post Hall is a large drawing room with some of the original furnishings from the first Great Hall in the Nebraska Avenue School. Over the fireplace, the focal point of the room, hangs a portrait of Mrs. Somers, our first headmistress and foundress. This room is enjoyed by us all daily for its graciousness, and as the proper setting for tea on special occasions. We are deeply appreciative to Mrs. Post for her gift to us and to the school.



The Della Robbia plaque taken from the Nebraska Avenue Chapel.

The Chapel Room

For private devotions one can now slip away to the Chapel Room, where the atmosphere of tranquility and peace draw one to prayer. In these simple surroundings one can attain peace of mind and spirit through silent communion with God.

This welcome addition to Mt. Vernon's life was given in memory of Dorothy W. Lindsay, whose work at the Nebraska Ave. School, in Spring Valley, and as Head of Somers House revealed her to be such a gracious hostess, warm and understanding friend, gay and delightful companion that all who knew her loved her: students, faculty, parents and staff.



As Advisor to . . .

our class for four years Mrs. Lowry has patiently guided us through our class projects, congratulating us on our successes, and consoling us on our failures. This encouragement has been given with the serenity of manner and gentle voice that are characteristic of Mrs. Lowry.

Whether planning class picnics and dances or discussing the everyday problems which arise at school, our thoughtful Advisor gives the needed faculty viewpoint with quiet assurance.

Many of us remember Mrs. Lowry for her teaching of history, Bible and English, and for the unusual bits of information from her own broad background and extensive interests which she brought to the classroom. In our writing, when we knew what we wanted to say, but couldn't quite capture it in words, Mrs. Lowry always suggested the phrase or sentence which had eluded us.

Mrs. Lowry has helped us in every way, and the class of 1958 will always be grateful to her.



Mrs. Charles Lowry

Alma Mater

*Our Alma Mater glorious,
With loving hearts and proud,
We crown thee all victorious
And sing thy praise aloud.
In loyalty we serve thee
And strive to heed thy call,
Mount Vernon, O Mount Vernon!
Through self to conquer all.*

*You give unfailing kindness
If trouble meet us here;
You foster all our pleasures
And make them seem more dear.
Nor time, nor care, nor sorrow
Can these fair days erase,
But they with each to-morrow
Help us new tasks to face.*

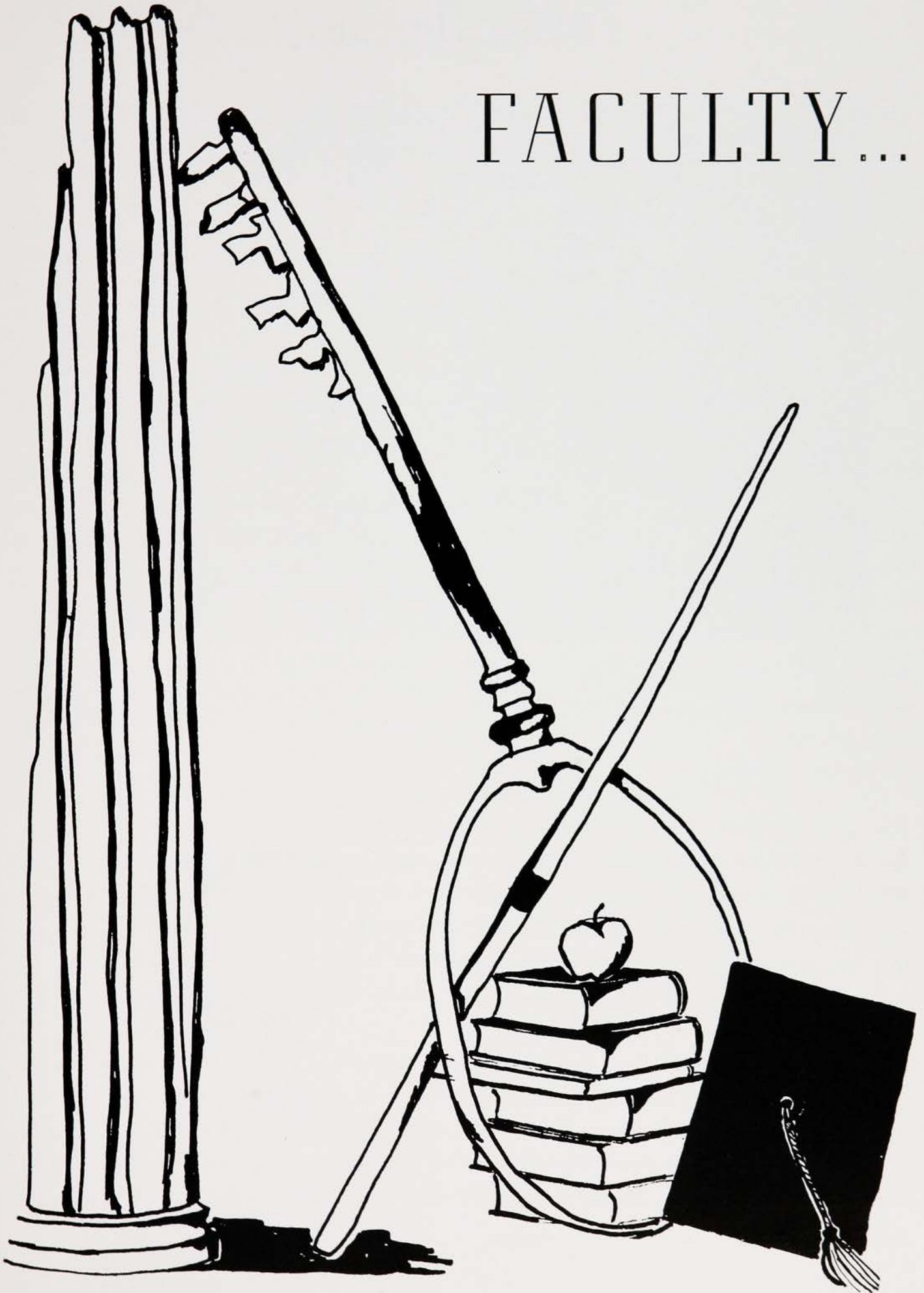
*Like breath of Spring's fresh morning
That lifts the heart to song,
When courage drops and wavers
And paths seem gray and long,
Will come thy dauntless spirit
To help us on our way.
Mount Vernon, O Mount Vernon!
Hold fast thy tender sway.*

*The changing years may bring us
Some longed for dream of bliss,
Yet memory will cherish
A sympathy we miss.
In hours of joy or sadness,
Whate'er our need may be,
Mount Vernon, O Mount Vernon!
Thy children turn to thee.*

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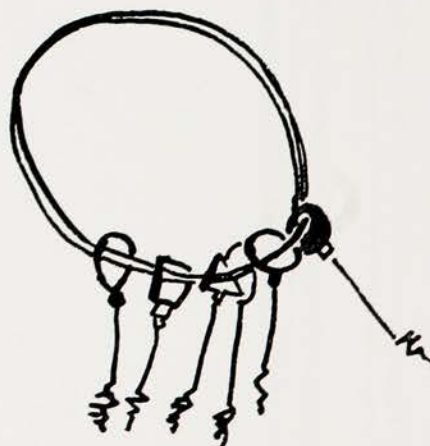
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 MRS. HELEN B. PERRY.....Switchboard Operator



To our Faculty ...



Seated, left to right: Mrs. Davis, Mrs. Maurer, Miss Gutheim, Mrs. Lloyd, Mlle. Bounous, Mrs. Long, Mrs. Lampert, Mme. Brodenova. Standing, left to right: Miss French, Mrs. Silcox, Mrs. Kennedy, Mr. Laufman, Miss Fulton, Mrs. Griffith, Mrs. Jones, Miss Warner, Miss Miller, Mrs. Wood, Mrs. Spence, Mrs. Eccles, Srta. Carroll. Absent: Mrs. Brown, Mrs. Browne, Mrs. Evans, Mrs. Heflin, Mr. Kleindorfer, Mrs. Lowry, Mme. Mikus, Mrs. Orwen, Srta. Ruiz, Miss Williamson.

We all agree that education is invaluable, and we spend many years in obtaining it. Education is not something that can be obtained independently. We need the guidance of our faculty, who through their patience, understanding and knowledge show us how to use the keys to learning.

Whatever problems we might encounter, whether they be academic or personal, we are given encouragement and advice. Such understanding is deeply appreciated by us, who are groping our way through the maze of knowledge.

At times we have tried the patience of our teachers, with our Spring fever, smudged papers, and fits of girlish giggling. No matter what, however, we always found that a helping hand was extended toward us. It is to our faculty that we owe the maturity which we have so far attained. The keys they have given us will open many doors in our life ahead.



*Latin is really fun, isn't it,
Mrs. Long?*



*Mrs. Spence has all the
answers!*



*History is Mrs. Lowry's
specialty.*



*Let us take your picture,
Miss Miller.*



*Hard at work again, Mrs. Lloyd
and Miss Gutheim.*



*Was it Bismarck or
Nebuchadnezzar, Miss French?*



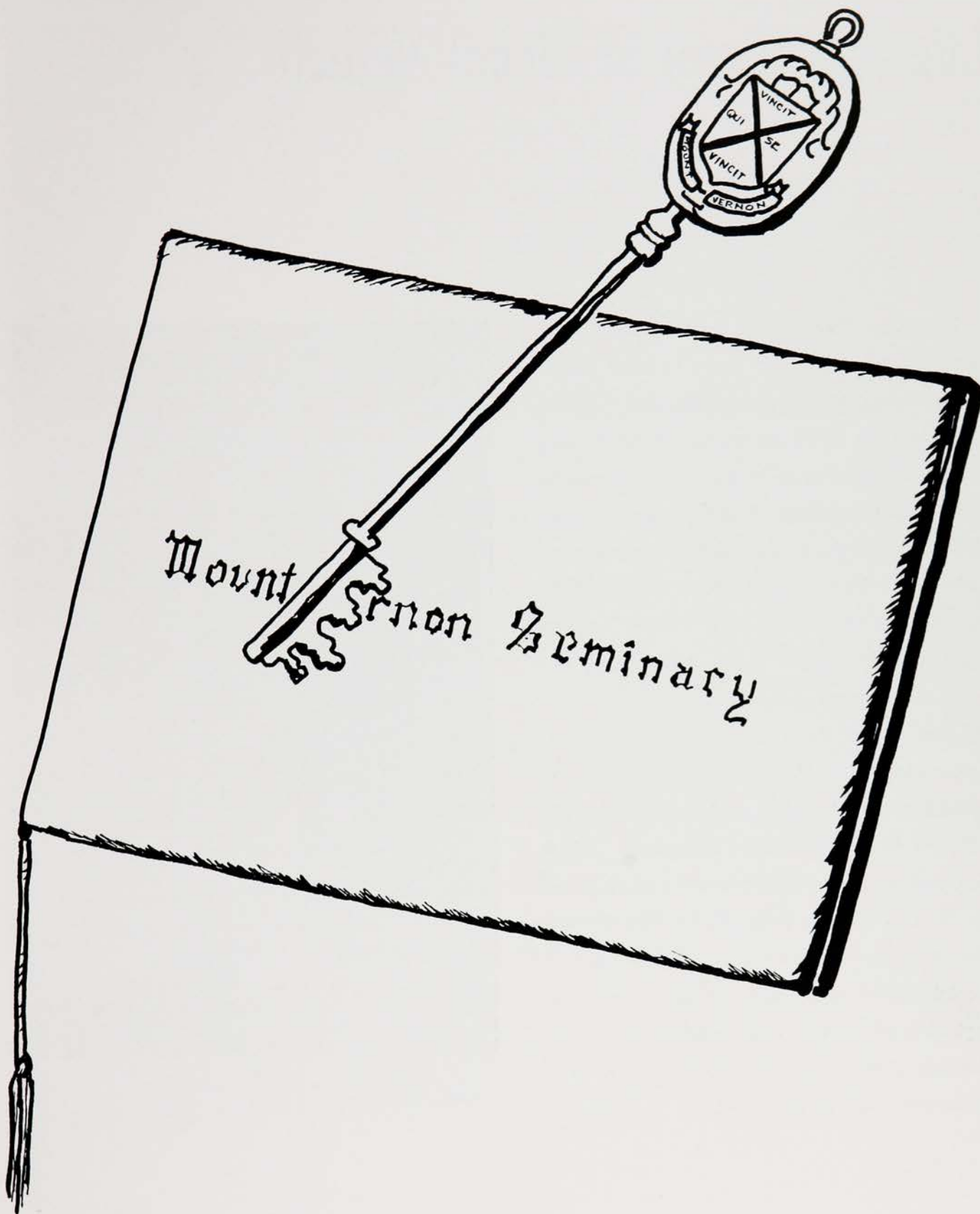
*Somers couldn't do without
Mrs. MacDougall.*



*Anyone for hockey, Miss Miller
and Miss Fulton?*



*Mam'selle and Mrs. Brown like
Mount Vernon dances.*

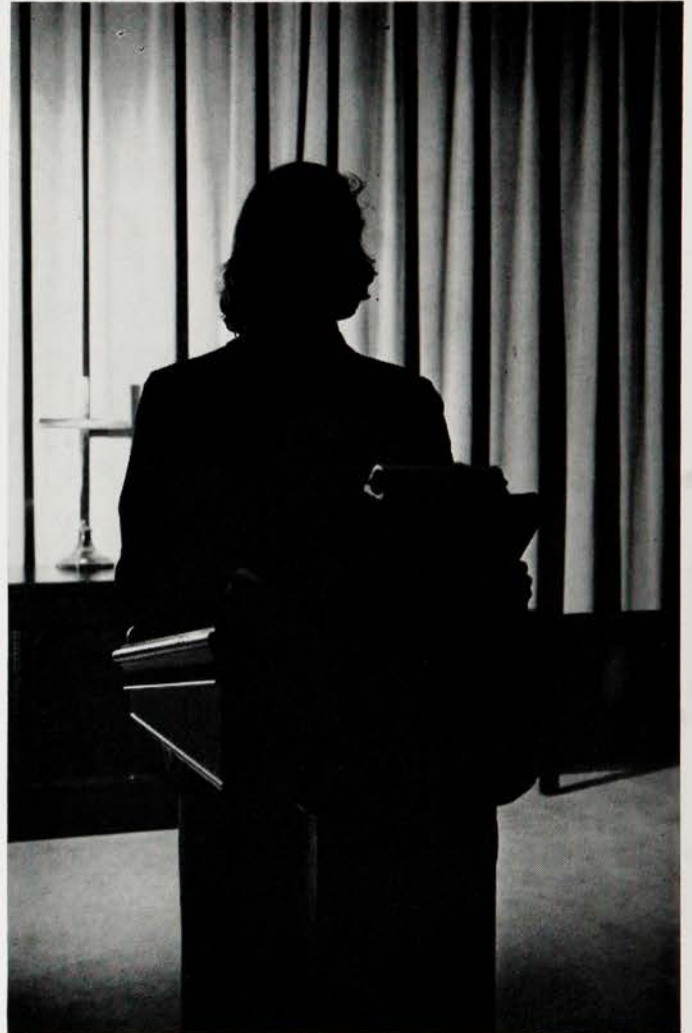


SENIORS...

Life as a Senior at Mount Vernon . . .

The Senior Year is the culmination of many years' preparation. This is an exciting year in which College Board Examinations and Scholastic Aptitude Tests suddenly seem quite frightening, when we realize how quickly time has gone by. There is a great deal of work to be done, but above all, we thoroughly enjoy being Seniors. Perhaps it is because graduation is so close that we want to hold on to each minute here and enjoy it to the fullest. There are so many little things that we appreciate. . . .

Before classes there are a few quiet moments devoted to our Creator. Here in Chapel, we pay homage to God together, each individual united with the rest of the school in prayer. This is, also, one of the few moments in the day in which the whole school is congregated. After the worship service is ended there is an opportunity for special school news and notices to be given. Beginning the school day together, with God's blessing, gives us the inner peace we need for all the activities that lie ahead.





It is 4:30 p. m. and time for the Day Students to leave. We say goodbye to them at the Field House and watch them scramble into the school cars. Of course they are missing a lot of fun that living on the campus offers. In boarding, everyone gets to know everyone else, and on Senior Hall especially, we share each other's joys and sorrows. There is nothing to do now until Study Hall, so groups of girls congregate in one or two rooms, while the record player is turned up full volume. A package arrives for someone; she enthusiastically opens it in front of us, ready to share whatever it is.

Time is passing and soon it will be time for evening activities.

Thursdays provide interesting excursions to various parts of Washington, where historic monuments, museums, and art galleries are visited. As a means of becoming acquainted with our Nation's Capital, we boarders have instructive tours which may form an outline to promote other interests. Living in the political center of our nation, American History comes to life for the Seniors.



Of all exciting moments, there are none more so than the anticipation of a dance. Every item must be arranged carefully hours beforehand. The rustle of skirts, an anxious glance into the mirror, and our belle is ready for the ball. Floating on a cloud, she emerges the envy, yet delight of her friends.

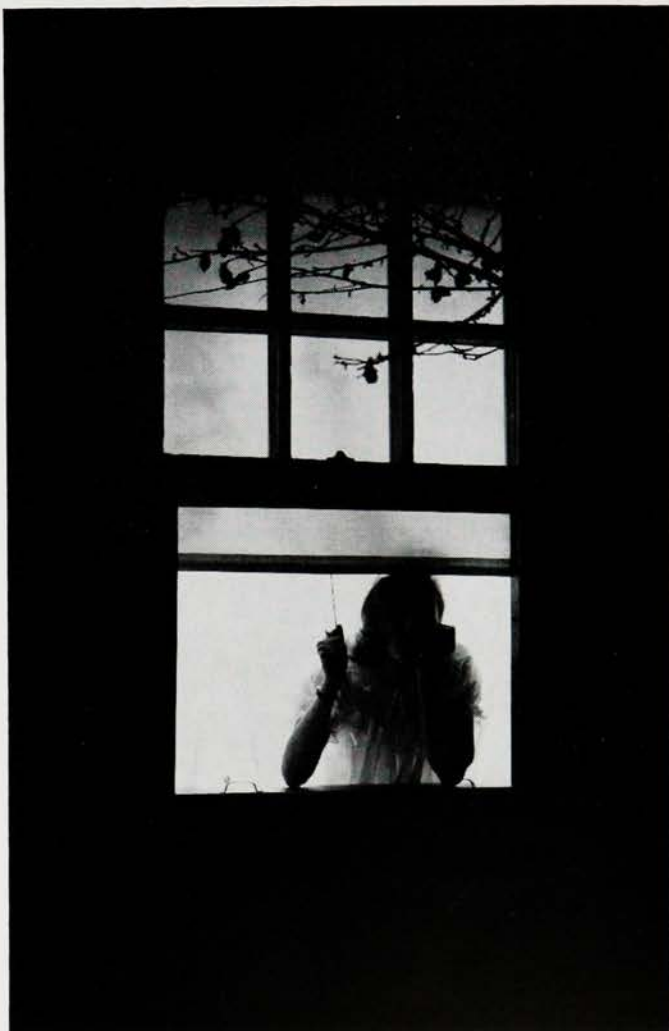


Preparation for tomorrow's classes is begun in 5:15 Study Hall, where ideally the silence is broken only by the scratch of pens and the rustle of paper. Heads bent over textbooks indicate complete concentration in an effort to learn. Soon the bell will ring and many heads will emerge from these books. Then will come the scurrying of girls on their way to the dorms, to dinner, and later to more hours of study.



Darkness has settled over the campus. Hundreds of bright lights shine in windows. Outside there is relative quiet, even though cars pass by the gates on Foxhall Road every once in a while. Inside there is much activity going on with all of us writing letters, listening to radios and sometimes putting last few touches on term papers. There are so few minutes left until "lights-out," but we are grateful for the rest. This has been a long day. . . .

Our many days here were spent in the happy, busy atmosphere of community living. Perhaps the most rewarding experience of our senior year was knowing that each of us, in one way or another, held the leadership of Mt. Vernon in her hands. Indeed this is one of the reasons that we have valued being a Senior so much.



CLASS HISTORY

As Freshmen:

A big class, seventeen of us . . . Mrs. Lowry our advisor . . . New Girl Party in Somers . . . party for us at Fran Crigler's . . . experiments: smoking, heels, lipstick . . . Daisy . . . first fashion show by "Woodies" . . . movies on campus . . . Alma Mater and handbook test . . . Vicki is our Valentine candidate . . . learning to bop (or jitterbug) . . . dances, blind dates . . . class picnic rained out, Nancy's basement and movies . . . *Julius Caesar* and "Grandel" . . . our Peruvian gal Luz . . . "Satchmo" is our mascot.

As Sophomores:

Another step up the ladder! . . . party for the freshmen at Jeannie's house . . . Ames House "sweet sixteen" . . . organ music in chapel . . . "pages" . . . those U. S. N. A. dates . . . song birds Mickey, Vicki, and Linda . . . after the dance parties . . . Zelda's car . . . Ginger, Hope . . . fabulous class picnic at Penny's, but who forgot the food? . . . pizza . . . diets . . . the year's over, already!

As Juniors:

A gay year . . . Old Girl-New Girl Party in gym . . . Day Student picnic . . . Acheson, our new science hall . . . signing the Honor Code . . . new uniform—plaid skirts . . . Jane headed "Cellophane" with new "Mr. Cellophane" contest . . . Susie our posture Queen and Berk our star rider . . . Sally with Athletic Point Cup . . . initiation to long weekends, dating, smoking permissions, term papers, college boards, and winning of Citizen-

ship Flag Honor . . . Mimic Presidential Election . . . inaugural parade and ball . . . Outings with the Day Students . . . pass word "O.T.L." . . . "Good Old Mountain Dew" . . . swimming party at Mary's house and Class Day at Linda's cottage . . . Fashion Show improves each year . . . all aboard the M.V.S. Show Boat at Junior-Senior Banquet . . . great day for Senior rings . . . last chapel . . . Senior Officers now . . . Graduation . . . sad tears . . . happy memories.

1958 . . . We're Seniors Now . . .

three new girls . . . Mrs. Lowry still with us . . . Nancy's fourth year as Treasurer . . . first male teacher . . . Old Girl-New Girl costume party . . . new Field House for old and new gatherings . . . new Chapel Room . . . Sunday Senior breakfasts and lunches . . . pizza . . . special shopping, dating and study privileges . . . tea dances at Annapolis . . . Lake Placid with a Southern accent . . . Williamsburg trip . . . bridge games . . . Dr. Shea's lectures . . . Intramurals . . . college weekends . . . college fears and cheers . . . foods lab stand bys . . . some girls pinned with futures ahead . . . friendship circles . . . song fests, a favorite for everyone . . . Chemise dressed and colored stockings . . . Hot Spook . . . last minute cram for exams . . . "Bernie" Club and the I.H. Club . . . Zap . . . long white dresses all set . . . Commencement Dance, Dad's my date . . . wonderful parties . . . Baccalaureate . . . Class Night . . . A bigger and better year than ever . . . Graduation . . . Diplomas . . . tears and farewells . . . wonderful, unforgettable memories . . . Mt. Vernon *always* dear to our hearts.



PHEBE ANNE SHERMAN
GREENFIELD, MASSACHUSETTS
Two Years

"All for love, or the World Well Lost."

"Do you need any help?" seem to be Phebe's standard words. As President of the Senior Class, she says them with spirit and enthusiasm when we are tackling a class project. As one friend to another, Phebe says them with deep sincerity and concern when confronted by someone's problems.

Phebe spends a great deal of her time working out the detailed arrangements of class projects. Her straight-from-the-heart smile and gleefully twinkling eyes are indicative of great enthusiasm, which is transferred from herself to all matters pertaining to the class. This spirit seems to extend into other fields as well, for Phebe is an avid participant in sports. At graduation we shall be sorry to say goodbye to the girl who has led us through our exciting and unforgettable Senior Year.

White Team; Class President IV; Basketball III; Hockey IV; Softball IV; CUPOLA IV; House Council Secretary III; Lend-a-Hand III, IV; Prep Players III.

BERKELEY SANFORD JENNINGS
CHARLOTTESVILLE, VIRGINIA
Three Years

*"... not the prize gives the joy,
but the striving to win the prize."*

For three years, Mount Vernon has been graced by the leadership of this pert young lady from Virginia. Each year she has held a class office, and this year she has led Mt. Vernon to new heights as our Student Body President.

Berk's interests vary. She is as much at home showing one of her horses as she is presiding over a Student Body Assembly. Among her other accomplishments are varsity hockey and a wonderful talent for art. As a career, Berkeley has chosen medicine, and hopes someday to become a surgeon.

Her outstanding qualities—steadfastness, generosity and helpfulness—have endeared her to the hearts of all Mt. Vernon girls, leaving behind her a memory not soon to be forgotten.

White Team; Student Body President IV; Class President III; Class Vice-President II; Hockey IV; Riding Team II, III, IV; Tennis II; Cellophane III; Chapel Guild IV; Glee Club II; House Council II; Lend-a-Hand IV.





ELIZABETH MARGARET ANDRAE
PORT HURON, MICHIGAN
Two Years

"A blend of mirth and sadness, smiles and tears"

What school has the best football team in the United States? Ask Betsy and she'll tell you, "It's the University of Michigan." Yes, Betsy's from Michigan; Port Huron to be exact. She's proud of it, too.

Pepsi bottles anyone? Give 'em to Betsy, 'cause she sure needs 'em bad. Most of the time Betsy is very shy and reserved, but when you get to know her it's a different story. She's full of energy and laughs. If there are any problems you need help with, come to Betsy because she's always ready to help anyone she can. She's the type of person that anyone can trust and depend on for anything.

Betsy is a truly wonderful girl and has made a very good Secretary of Lend-a-Hand this year. Upper Senior will be awfully quiet next year without her squeaky tennis shoes and rattling Pepsi bottles.

White Team; CUPOLA III, IV; Lend-a-Hand III, Secretary IV.

MARTHA PRUDDEN BANISTER
MADISON, CONNECTICUT
Three Years

"Silence is deep as eternity, speech is shallow as time."

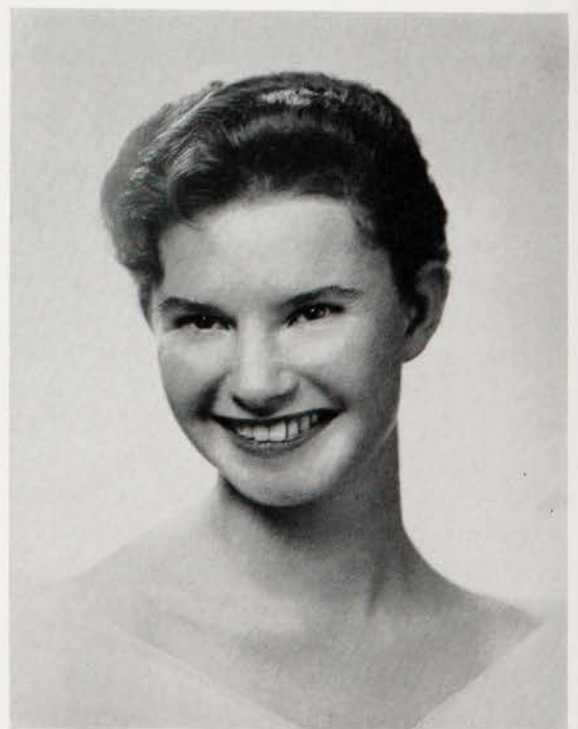
Bright and early every morning a wispy black-haired senior walks out to the mailbox carrying several ten-page letters with commemorative stamps on the envelope. If you ask Prue where she is going she will turn bright red and her eyes will light up with a mischievous spark. She will then mention something about correspondence with a service academy.

Prue disappears every Monday, Wednesday, and Friday afternoon and she can be found in the modern dance studio, where she is busy creating her own dance interpretations to music and rhythm. In the evenings after study hall, Prue faithfully does many dance exercises.

As Prue expects to become a nurse she enjoys her first period chemistry class very much, and takes a special delight in preparing various experiments in the laboratory.

No doubt her numerous activities are time-consuming, but Prue always has an enthusiastic smile and a sparkle in her eyes with which she greets everyone.

White Team; Modern Dance Club IV; Prep Players II, III.





VICTORIA HART BATEMAN

BARRINGTON, ILLINOIS

Four Years

"Music is well said to be the speech of angels."

No one here at Mount Vernon will dispute the fact that Vicki Bateman has one of the most beautiful voices on campus. Many mornings in Chapel Vicki has given a beautiful solo rendition of a religious song or hymn. At Christmas time Vicki did magnificent work in the role of David, the star of the Glee Club Show. Vicki's voice has brought more joy to others than she will ever know.

If you happen to want to find someone with whom you can have a philosophical discussion just make your way to Vicki's room on lower Senior for she is always willing.

There is a lighter side to Vicki's nature with which all of us are affectionately familiar. The attractive, gracious young girl known as "Vicks" will long be remembered by all of us who have known her here.

White Team; Chapel Guild Representative IV; Glee Club I, II, III, Treasurer IV; House Council II, III; Lend-a-Hand I, II, III, IV; Library Council I, II.

MARY BARBARA BERNARD

BETHESDA, MARYLAND

Four Years

"Kindness is wisdom."

Wherever you find busy people working on class projects, you are sure to find Mary. She is always there to lend a helping hand and each time she does her usual good job on everything she undertakes. When someone is needed to head a committee, Mary is thought of first. Her sense of responsibility as well as her capability make her one of the most reliable girls on campus. The library is one of the places where you are most likely to find her studying and helping others. Her sense of humor certainly does cheer us up when we aren't feeling up to par. She always has a smile for everyone she sees, everywhere she goes.

Yellow Team; Chapel Guild Representative II, IV; Lend-a-Hand IV; Library Council I, II, III, IV; Prep Players I, II, III, IV.





PATRICIA ANNE BLACKBURN

BETHESDA, MARYLAND

Two Years

"She is a form of life and light."

Have you ever wondered what goes into the success of a Social League Dance? The answer is simple: it's Pattie's ingenuity and hard work. When the time comes for the dance to begin, she starts it off in the right spirit with her ice-breaking chatter.

Her warm personality and sincere interest in her schoolmates has made her well known and well liked around the campus. Pattie takes an active part in sports, hockey in particular. She is on both the Yellow hockey team and the school's Junior Varsity team.

With all these activities, one would think Pattie to be very busy almost all of the time, but she will be remembered after she has left Mount Vernon as a girl who is quick with a smile and never too busy for a friendly "hi" for everyone.

Yellow Team; Hockey IV; Tennis III; Carousel IV; CUPOLA IV; Glee Club III; Social League President IV.

EDITH DRAPER BLAIR

WASHINGTON, D. C.

Two and one half Years

"Power dwells with cheerfulness."

Edie came to Mount Vernon in the middle of her sophomore year, and immediately fitted into school life in general. Shortly after her arrival she was chosen as a White Team member. Since then she has shown great enthusiasm for her team and for the school. Never does a game go by that Edie is not putting her whole heart behind it. Whether it be for the Whites or for Mount Vernon Varsity, her ardor is outdone by none.

Edie joined the Mount Vernon Glee Club and remained a member through her Junior year. As a Senior she decided to join the CUPOLA Business Staff for which she did countless errands. She became a member of Lend-a-Hand. For the last two years, Edie has worked diligently on Library Council.

Through the enthusiasm which is synonymous with her nature, and through her eager effort to be helpful, Edith has gained the friendship of all her classmates.

White Team; CUPOLA IV; Glee Club II, III; Lend-a-Hand IV; Library Council III, IV.





NANCY SUZANNE BOURGERIE

WASHINGTON, D. C.

Two Years

"I count life just a stuff to try the soul of strength on."

After having spent several years in Mexico, Nancy came to us last year as a boarder. No doubt her traveling experience has contributed to both her humorous and serious outlook on life. Her laugh is infectious when relating an amusing anecdote, and her insight is amazing; we profit from both equally.

As secretary of our senior class, Nancy is usually found in a corner at class meetings, quietly taking the minutes. This ability to concentrate in all places at all times (even in noisy class meetings), might be a contributing factor to her membership in Optima. Of course we know that it takes more than concentration to belong to Optima, but we certainly agree that Nancy, has that "more." Whatever the future may be, Nancy will meet it with a wide smile and plenty of determination.

White Team; Optima IV; Class Secretary IV; Prep Players IV; CUPOLA III.

CAROLE LOUISE BROOKS

AUSTIN, TEXAS

Two Years

"Love is the beginning, the middle, and the end of everything."

Texas? Oh yes—now we remember. That is where Carole Brooks, one of our "Southern cause supporters," is from. She is very proud of being a Texan, and we enjoy listening to her enthusiastic descriptions of Texas.

One can usually find Carole chatting away in the phone booth or in the Field House eating and talking about that diet she is going to start tomorrow, never today.

From the moment she finishes breakfast, for she never talks before, until after lights' bell at night, Carole is full of fun and laughs, and has a rare ability to make the gloomiest outlook seem a little better. We won't soon forget Carole and her friendly ways, and, thanks to her "stage-pushing" ability, we'll never forget her beloved Lone Star State.

Yellow Team; CUPOLA IV; Glee Club III; Lend-a-Hand IV.





SANDRA KAY CATSMAN

GOLDEN BEACH, FLORIDA

Four Years

"Fame is the thirst of youth."

A pert blond ponytail, blue eyes, and a lilting voice combined seem to match the charm that is Mickey's. This diminutive Mount Veronite seems to have more than her share of admirers, since she is one of the luckier boarders who is rarely here Saturday nights.

There are several aspects to her vivacious and "happy-go-lucky" nature, which is usually characterized by her humming and singing. In fact, you can always tell that Mickey is coming around the corner, for her singing precedes her. She has a serious interest in singing, and takes voice lessons.

Whenever there is a concert given, Mickey is in there giving us examples of what she has learned under Madame Brodenova's instruction. By the same token, Mickey contributes to the Modern Dance recitals, showing that dancing is another one of her fortes. With these two talents, success is indicated for Mickey in the theatrical world.

Yellow Team; Basketball II, III, IV; Cheerleader I, II; Glee Club I, II, III, IV; Chapel Guild Representative I; Lend-a-Hand III, IV; Library Council III, IV; Social League IV; Modern Dance Club IV.

FRANCES DIAN CHORNEY

CASPER, WYOMING

One Year

"With magic of motion and sunshine of glance."

In just one short year Dian has made a place for herself here at Mount Vernon. You can't miss this blonde from Wyoming with her sparkling eyes and cheery disposition. If you are looking for Dian, most likely you will find her collecting her many letters or talking to numerous admirers on the telephone or just taking it easy by Susie's record player. Dian's favorite pastime is dancing, which she hopes to make into a career. She furthers this ambition by being an active participant in the modern dance class here at school. Whenever Mrs. Rosen gives a program you can be sure Dian will have a leading role.

Dian's gracious nature, coupled with her determination, will certainly be two great assets in becoming a successful dancer. We here at Mount Vernon feel sure that not too far in the future we will have no trouble finding Dian's name along Broadway.

Yellow Team; House Council IV; Lend-a-Hand IV; Prep Players IV.





GAIL LOUISE COAKLEY

WASHINGTON, D. C.

Three Years

"Laugh and the world laughs with you."

This bright-eyed brunette can always be heard saying "Hi ya!" or "Mornin!". In her spare time she can always be found writing letters, chattering on the phone or spending weekends at Annapolis.

She is an active member of Prep Players and Lend-a-Hand where she is always willing to help out. No matter how tough the going is, Gail always has a friendly, warm smile for everyone. She shows much school spirit either playing basketball or just cheering the Yellows on.

Gail heads the lunch line even though at the beginning of each week she says she is on a diet.

I know that next year everyone will miss her for she has added much to the school and also to our class.

Yellow Team; Cellophane III; Glee Club II; Lend-a-Hand IV; Library Council III; Prep Players III, IV.

DONNA WOOD COE
NIAGARA FALLS, NEW YORK
Two Years

*"A spirit all sunshine, graceful from very gladness,
beautiful because bright."*

If you hear the joyous echoes of merriment and laughter somewhere on the campus, you can make a safe bet that "Dody" is right there in the middle of all the fun. The marvelous gift of a fun-loving and gracious nature are indeed wonderful virtues, and Dody is the full master of them.

Like most of us, Dody has a very serious side to her personality. Her sincere desire to help other people is perhaps one of the most important facets of Dody's life and everyone at Mount Vernon is well aware of this. Often we see her putting one of her many talents to use for our sake. Lend-a-Hand has certainly felt the impact of Dody's hard work. CUPOLA, too, would have had a hard time if Dody had not taken charge of all the candid pictures that were for sale. But the members of CUPOLA and Lend-a-Hand are not the only ones who will miss her when she graduates.

Yellow Team; Chapel Guild IV; CUPOLA IV; Glee Club III; Lend-a-Hand III, VI.





SUSIE HARWOOD CORDON
CHAPEL HILL, NORTH CAROLINA
Two Years

"She walks in beauty like the night."

When you see a tall, attractive girl with a smile for everyone, you know it must be Susie Cordon.

Not only do her interests show forth in Modern Dance class, where she is an enthusiastic member, but she also does exceptionally good work as President of Prep Players. Prep Players has been Susie's interest for the past two years. Her skill before the spotlight became evident last year when she played Mary Belle in "Southern Exposure." From her comical role in that play to the serious part in "Star Song," this year's Christmas play, Susie's mastery of each part shows both a deep interest and understanding of every character she portrays.

Do not think that Susie's interests lie only in the theatrical world, for she also shines in the academic world, as she is a member of Optima and her name comes up on the Honor Rolls like clockwork.

Pretty, talented, and intelligent; that's a combination that's hard to beat, but then—Susie's hard to beat.

White Team; Optima III, IV; Class Secretary III; House Council III, IV; Carousel IV; Chapel Guild IV; Lend-a-Hand IV; Library Council IV; Prep Players III, President IV.

MARGARET McDOWELL DICKSON
WASHINGTON, D. C.
Three Years

"Manner, not gold, is a woman's best adornment."

As one of the most willing and helpful girls on the Mount Vernon Seminary campus, Peggy is noted for her friendly smile and cheerful disposition. The graciousness with which she lends a helping hand in consolation and advice to her friends is greatly appreciated. With her cheerfulness, Peggy spreads an aura of pleasant gaiety wherever she goes. She is characterized also by her tidiness and by her meticulous manner.

This year as president of the Library Council, Peggy has spent many hours in the library cataloguing books and filing data.

The results of her inexhaustible efforts are evident whenever we come rushing into the library in desperate need for help on term paper research.

Because of her many abilities and charm, Peggy will undoubtedly find success in her chosen field.

Yellow Team; CUPOLA IV; Glee Club II, III; Library Council II, III, President IV.





JANE FANCHER EVINS

SMITHVILLE, TENNESSEE

Four Years

"A winning personality touched with humor, capable of laughter, yet firm and decided."

"You all it really isn't hard to get into Optima"—no one would hazard such a statement but Jane—President of Optima. One of the South's greatest supporters, her crusade is to make us believe that they do wear shoes in Tennessee. Jane does more than prove that, for the four years that she has been here she has been outstanding.

As President of our class in both her Freshman and Sophomore years, Jane managed to guide us through various class projects. This sincere interest "in adhering to the cause" is expressed in many ways. Jane's determination is unmatched; when you ask for help your job is as good as done.

At lunch time, you will probably find her hidden behind the latest copy of *The Smithville Review*. With Jane's strong support the South will rise again.

Yellow Team; Optima I, II, III, President IV; Basketball III, IV; Class President I, II; Carouse! IV; Cellophane Editor III; CUPOLA IV; Glee Club I, II; Library Council I, II, III, IV; Student Council I, II, III, IV.

LUZ FREIRE

LIMA, PERU

Four Years

"The monuments of wit survive the monuments of power."

Our green-eyed Peruvian has made a name for herself during the four years that she has been at Mount Vernon. Her cosmopolitan background and intellectual pursuits contribute to make Lucy an invaluable ally in an argument. In these "discussions," it is safer to agree with her rather than to place yourself in a perilous position, for her logic cannot be disputed. Of course Luz is not entirely one-sided, as those who have attended her after-lunch cha-cha-cha sessions can testify. The plaster beneath the English classroom may have suffered, but her enthusiastic pupils now know something of Latin American dances.

In future years when Luz's dramatic ambitions have been realized, we can say that we knew her, and heard her famous speech—"The Horthe," by Perthy Griffith.



White Team; CUPOLA III, IV; Glee Club I; Prep Players I; Sports Club II.



CARROLL JEAN GATLIFF
WILLIAMSBURG, KENTUCKY
Two Years

"Imagination rules the world."

Here we have the gay and sincere Southern belle who all during this year has arranged our Chapel services. As President of the Chapel Guild, Carroll has put her whole-hearted effort and deep devotion into her chapel work. We appreciate this sincere interest that is expressed in so many ways.

Our blonde Kentuckian can usually be found floating in a lucious bubble bath or munching that chocolate ice-cream while wondering just exactly what Miss Fulton will have on the next Chemistry test!

Carroll is notorious for her zany actions in the dorms. Snow ice-cream, little red wagon, short wave radio, and the inevitable crate of oranges in her closet are but a few of the things we associate with Carroll.

Her loving ways will certainly be long remembered at Mount Vernon as the prime example of a genuine heart.

White Team; Chapel Guild III, Chairman IV; CUPOLA IV; Lend-a-Hand III, IV; Glee Club III.

GRACE SARAH GEARHART
WAVERLY, PENNSYLVANIA
Two Years

"Always a gay word; enthusiastic and invigorating."

Behind all the games and other athletic events at Mount Vernon there is careful organization. This is the result of Sally's enthusiastic efforts as A.A. President. Appropriately awarded the cup for the most individual points last year, she has put her conscientious ability into this year's job. As promoter of team spirit, Sally's exuberance is infectious.

In all phases of school life Sally retains the same bubbling enthusiasm. Gifted with a wonderful sense of humor, she can enliven any group by her good humor. This helps make her a valued friend to everyone, especially in those solemn "after-a-test" moments.

Sally is always there, helping when you need her, and supporting the team and the school, too, when they need her most.



White Team; A. A. President IV; A. A. Representative III; Baseball III, IV; Basketball III, IV; Hockey III, IV; Tennis III, IV; Cellophane III; CUPOLA IV; Lend-a-Hand III.



JANIS BARTLETT HARDIN

JACKSONVILLE, FLORIDA

One and one half Years

*"For gowns, and gloves, and caps, and tippets
Are beauty's sauces, spice, and sippets."*

After mid-year break last year, Florida presented a gift to M. V. S. in the form of Janis. Within a week's time no one could have guessed that she was not an "old girl." This petite brunette is the vice-president of Prep Players. Examples of her work can be seen in the costumes for each of the plays. Perhaps this is a reflection of Janis' interest in the designing of clothes. In her spare time, Janis is either deciding on a dress or a pair of shoes she "really needs" or writing letters to her multitude of friends.

Physical education classes are spent trying to do what Mrs. Rosen teaches in modern dance. Even with her busy schedule, Janis always has time for her friends. Florida's loss was certainly Mount Vernon's gain.

White Team; Prep Players III, Vice-President IV.

SUZY CAROL HEYN
WESTPORT, CONNECTICUT
Two Years

"She smiled and the shadows departed."

Suzie's gay blue eyes and smiling face are certainly indicative of her personality, for she is indeed one of the gayest, most light-hearted people here at Mount Vernon. Suzie's pleasant manner has rendered more happiness to others than she will ever know.

As a loyal White and an active member of the A.A. Board, Suzie has done so much to boost team and school spirit. "Heyness" plays a wicked game of hockey and a top-notch game of basketball, both of which have been a great help to the Whites.

If you are looking for "Heyness" just direct yourself to the loudest source of "Rock 'n Roll" or where the most people are laughing and chattering and you are sure to find Suzie.

Where she goes people will always be attracted to Suzie's magnetic personality, for there is only one "Heyness."



White Team; Hockey III, IV; A. A. Representative IV; Cheerleader III, IV; Chapel Guild IV; Carousel IV; Glee Club III, IV; Lend-a-Hand IV.



DIANA LOUISE HILLOW

WASHINGTON, D. C.

Three Years

"In order to do great things, one must be enthusiastic."

Ever wondered what is behind the White Team? Well, it is a cute little girl with a long brunette pony tail named shortie, "Di." "Vivacious, fun-loving, and full of school spirit," describes her to a tee. She shows a great deal of talent in Home Economics but she is not confined to the Foods Lab for she can often be found rehearsing for Prep Players or taking an active part in Lend-a-Hand. Of course, we cannot exclude the hockey field where she constantly can be found playing hockey or softball. "Di" is well-liked and seems to enjoy hearing others laugh, especially at some of her witty remarks. Next year we will miss her pep and bright smile which has added much to the White Team and to all that know her.

White Team Captain IV; Hockey III, IV; Softball III, IV; Cellophane III, IV; Glee Club II; Lend-a-Hand IV; Library Council III, IV; Prep Players III, IV.

NANCY FARIDA HOWAR

WASHINGTON, D. C.

Four Years

"Joy comes, grief goes, we know not how."

Nancy Howar, one of our few native Washingtonians, is noted for her friendliness and willingness to help others. Have a problem? Ask Nance, she has the time to listen, the desire to help, and the ability to reason.

Don't ever get into an argument with her, however; it is impossible to win. When you hear why summer should be twelve months instead of three, you will understand what I mean.

Nancy, who has unanimously been elected class treasurer for four years, is voted the most likely to have a successful financial future, since she has demonstrated that she is capable of accepting the tremendous responsibility which business is bound to bring.

Need a ride? Ask Nance, she is also our class chauffeur.

In short, Nance has all the qualities that have made her one of our most dependable friends.

Yellow Team; Class Treasurer I, II, III, IV; CUPOLA III, IV; Social League IV; Sports Club I, II.





MICHAEL IHLDER
WASHINGTON, D. C.
Three Years

"Good as gold."

There goes that tennis ball flying across the net, and the girl who just hit it is none other than Mike. Vibrant and enthusiastic, she will soon go bounding off to the Field House for a snack. On Tuesdays you can find her in Glee Club singing gaily and every Sunday possible you can be sure she is heading for Annapolis.

Short ash-blond hair, unusual tip-tilted eyes, and a face lit up with a smile, mark Mike as an attractive girl you just can't help noticing.

Mike has been at Mount Vernon for three years now and seems to have done everything from modeling in Mount Vernon Fashion Shows to visiting the United Nations. When Mike is with a crowd you can be sure that everyone is enjoying themselves because that's Mike, one of the "day-hops" and a great part of Mount Vernon.

Yellow Team; Basketball II; Glee Club II, III, IV; Library Council III.

MARIE LANIER JENNINGS
WEST POINT, GEORGIA
One Year

"Heard melodies are sweet, but those unheard are sweeter."

"You all" don't know what Southern charm is until you meet "Mar-rie," our little gal from West Point, Georgia. Even though Marie has been here for only one year her sweet personality and humor—plus intelligence—have won her a place at Mount Vernon. Marie's consideration and patience have made her the class representative to Lend-a-Hand and an active member of the CUPOLA Business Staff.

Marie's motto is, "I'm going on a diet tomorrow"—but as usual at 3 o'clock every day she's off to the Field House.

Marie is a gal who is always game for laughter and excitement, whether it be a blind date with a "Yankee boy" or modeling for the Senior Fashion Show. If ever one of the girls has a personal problem or just one concerning Chemistry, they always run to Marie for help—her sweetness is just indescribable. It's very rare now-a-days to find a girl who will still take time out to help others even if it means having to get up early in the morning to finish her own work.

Next year just won't seem the same without Marie, because once you have met her you can't forget her.



Yellow Team; CUPOLA IV; Lend-a-Hand Representative IV.



ZELDA E. KRAFT
WASHINGTON, D. C.
Two and one half Years

"Actions are more precious than words."

Sweeping eyelashes, a heart-warming smile and a genial personality are only a few attractions which characterize Zeke.

Since she joined us in 1955, Zelda has become, in her quiet and ardent manner, one of the most admired and respected girls in the Senior Class.

With great efficiency and enthusiasm, Zeke has done an outstanding job as Business Manager for this year's CUPOLA. "Ads, ads, ads," are the key words in her vocabulary, but this is characteristic of the willingness and drive which have produced the excellent job that she has done.

Zelda's interests are varied, whether diligently studying for a History exam, trying out a new recipe or being swept away into another world by Carmen Cavallero, her capacity for genuine appreciation, deep sincerity, and generosity will always be remembered as a part of Zelda's gracious and sparkling self.

White Team; CUPOLA III, Business Manager IV; Social League III; Sports Club II.

ANNE RUTLEDGE LANIER
WEST POINT, GEORGIA
One Year

"Merry as the day is long."

Our cute "gal" from Georgia is always full of pep and energy. Although Anne has only been at M. V. S. one year, she has made a place for herself in school.

Anne is a member of Lend-a-Hand, CUPOLA, and a very active member of Social League, as well as an enthusiastic member of the White Team.

Whenever you are down in the dumps and Anne comes along, you just naturally feel better—her gay remarks and laughter cheer you up right away. Her tales about "you know who" and "Teddy" are enough to cheer you out of the darkest mood.

Anne always has time for everyone. We shall all miss Anne's wonderful personality and wit. She will always have a place in everyone's heart here at M. V. S.

White Team; CUPOLA IV; Lend-a-Hand IV; Social League Representative IV.





BEVERLY PEARSON LAWSON

MORRISTOWN, NEW JERSEY

Two Years

*"Learning by study must be won; 'twas ne'er entailed
from sire to son."*

Who has one of the highest light-cut averages in school? Who always seems to take good advantage of study time? It's Lee who knows what time is for study and what time is for enjoyment.

Along with her love of math and serious interest in her studies, Lee has participated in hockey and tennis varsity. On assorted afternoons, she can be found defending a hockey goal or slamming a winning shot at tennis practice. Recreation time finds her sprawled out on her bed, or having a friendly argument on some point, philosophical or otherwise. Lee budgets her time quite successfully, for she includes frequent gay weekend trips to Northern Universities, and still remains as one of the most consistent names on the Honor Roll, well deserving her membership in Optima. With this careful planning, she is the envy of the rest of us who can't find enough hours in the day.

White Team; Optima IV; Basketball Manager IV; Hockey IV; Tennis III; Chapel Guild IV; CUPOLA IV; Glee Club III.

ANDREA WALES LEVAN

WARREN, OHIO

Two Years

"Enthusiasm is the genius of sincerity."

If you see a girl after dinner in Somers "rec" room playing bridge and blushing various degrees of scarlet, it is apt to be Andrea, who is better known as "Poosie." She has a great sense of responsibility as well as abundant exuberance. As President of the House, she keeps the evening study hall quiet, though when the bell rings she becomes an all-around Senior and helps contribute to the noise. By the same token, if the sounds coming from her radio are not appreciated by all, it is obligingly turned off and "Poosie" plays "Pomp and Circumstance" for us. "Poosie's" exuberance also extends to sports, where she gives a great deal of pep and energy. Her good nature coupled with her sense of responsibility have certainly been assets to us here at Mount Vernon.

Yellow Team; Baseball III, IV; Basketball III, IV; Chapel Guild IV; CUPOLA III, IV; Lend-a-Hand III, IV; Library Council IV.





BARRIE PIERCE MANNING

SARASOTA, FLORIDA

Two Years

"Prove all things; hold fast that which is good."

Barrie Manning is our President of Lend-a-Hand. If you are looking for Barrie just mention the trip you took to Boston or Wyoming this summer and she is sure to come around.

You can see "Bar-bar" almost any time of the day in the Field House eagerly gulping down her "day's strength," a cup of straight, black coffee, and chatting amiably with a friend. Or if you chance by her room on lower Senior you might hear Barrie vigorously typing away to "Uncle Bones" or eagerly consuming a large can of fruit juice.

We must all agree that Barrie does not leave her "lending-a-hand" entirely to her school office but is always ready with a friendly smile and a helpful word of advice when it counts the most.

White Team; Lend-a-Hand III, President IV; Prep Players III.

JEAN BALLARD McINNIS

BETHESDA, MARYLAND

Three Years

"How far that little candle throws its beams."

Three years ago Mount Vernon welcomed a minute, blue-eyed, effervescent blonde, and from that moment on the rest of us discovered in her personality a warm nature and enthusiastic appreciation of life which has brought Jeanie many friends.

These, however, are not her only assets. Aside from worrying herself grey over late write-ups, Jeanie is perhaps known for her amazing ability to down several buttered rolls in a matter of seconds! This is accompanied by the modest apology: "I need to gain ten pounds."

In more serious moments Jeanie may be found amidst philosophy, psychology, and science fiction books; deeply concentrating on the wonders of literature.

The class of 1958 feels indeed fortunate that Jeanie has belonged to it, as she has been a great asset to both the class and the school.

Yellow Team; Carousel IV; CUPOLA III, Literary Editor IV; Sports Club II.





LINDA CECILE NELSON
BETHESDA, MARYLAND
Two Years

"Good humor and generosity carry the day."

Over the din of the jukebox in the Field House, Linda can be heard asking for a dime for a cup of coffee. She always gets it, too. Everyone is glad to do Linda a favor because she always does more than her share for others. She is always happy to drive anyone anywhere in the white convertible which she occasionally drives to school. Who else would volunteer to whiz through Georgetown with a car full of excited Juniors and tons of Junior-Senior banquet materials? Leave it to Linda—it's her idea of great fun. She is always at the school dances, and usually has supplied many of the under-classmen with dates. Linda joins enthusiastically in all school projects and has a sincere interest in all things connected with school.

Few girls are as sympathetic and friendly as Linda—we shall miss her friendly qualities next year.

White Team; Glee Club III, IV; Library Council III, IV.

RICKIE WRAY NISSEN
WINSTON-SALEM, NORTH CAROLINA
Three Years

"So of cheerfulness, or a good temper, the more it is spent the more it remains."

If you see a girl that is tall, good looking, thoughtful, and with a deep Southern drawl—it's Rickie. When you need someone to talk to, Rickie is always there to listen, and ready to help get things straightened out.

With the background of typical Southern tradition, Rickie moves slowly and deliberately; never in a frantic hurry like the rest of us. Rickie seems to have quite a method here; her conservation of energy indicates a wise choice of where she wants to channel it. She has worked on the CUPOLA Business Staff, and Lend-a-Hand as well. Whatever goal Rickie decides to reach for in life, we can be sure that she will make it at her own deliberate rate of speed, enjoying every minute along the way.

Yellow Team; Softball II; Cellophane III; CUPOLA IV; Lend-a-Hand III, IV; Prep Players II; Social League Representative II.





DORIS BROWN ORR
ORLANDO, FLORIDA
Two Years

"Ambition is the germ from which all growth of nobleness proceeds."

Doris Orr? Who's Doris Orr? Oh! If you mean "Taffy" Orr . . . Well, that's another matter.

Just any afternoon you might see "Taffy" with Mr. Brooks, the yearbook photographer, and his camera, busy fulfilling her duties as CUPOLA's Photography Editor. Though her position is quite a time-consuming one, "Taffy" finds time for her several pastimes: riding, ice skating, tennis, ballet, and snow skiing.

You may be in for a surprise if, some night after Study Hall you invade "Taffy's" room. She might be found cutting a mad caper to some hot violin music; poring over her Duke of Edinburgh scrapbook; or dreaming of a career in which she will move in diplomatic circles.

We certainly hope that some day she will be moving in these circles, but wherever she goes, she will be missed by those who knew her at M. V. S.

Yellow Team; Chapel Guild IV; CUPOLA, Photography Editor IV; Glee Club III; House Council IV; Lend-a-Hand III.

SHEILA M. QUINN
GREENSBURG, PENNSYLVANIA
Three Years

*"Thought is deeper than all speech,
Feeling is deeper than all thought."*

Three years ago a good-looking gal with the very Irish name of Sheila Quinn breezed into Mount Vernon from Greensburg, Pennsylvania. We soon found out that she was interested in riding and music, both of which she has pursued with success since she has been here. As president of Glee Club this year she has worked long hours with that organization and Madame Brodenova to bring us those long-remembered Glee Club performances. Sheila is also a competent student whose conscientious efforts and intelligent thinking result in those enviable grades.

In the dorms you will find Sheila in the rec room playing bridge with concentration or relaxed in her room, stretched out on the bed and listening to the radio.

The future, we are sure, will see Sheila successful in whatever field she may choose to enter.

Yellow Team; Glee Club II, Treasurer III, President IV; Lend-a-Hand Representative II; Social League Representative III.





NANCY TODD RENFRO

ARLINGTON, VIRGINIA

Three Years

"Her talents were of the more silent class."

The old maxim: "still waters run deep" certainly fits this Mount Vernonite. She may be unobtrusive, but her common sense and intelligence should never be underestimated. Just look at her report card and see the excellence in foreign languages. More of her many activities can be readily noticed in our Glee Club, where her co-operation and work have made her an indispensable member.

She hails from Tennessee although she is now living in the Washington area. There must really be something wonderful back there in Tennessee. She will always talk enthusiastically about her home-town: and for hours!

A quiet and wonderful understanding friend, Nancy is and always will be the kind of a girl that you can depend upon with certainty.

White Team; Carousel IV; Glee Club II, III, IV.

LYNN R. ROSENBERG

WASHINGTON, D. C.

Four Years

"In quietness and confidence shall be your strength."

Blond hair, blue eyes, and an effervescing personality—that's our Lynn. All five feet four of her can usually be heard talking, laughing, singing or arguing. She has a quick wit, and a warm glow that comes straight from the heart with a real desire to help and understand.

For the past four years "Carlota," as she is known in Spanish class, has given a warm smile and a friendly "Hi" to everyone at Mount Vernon. This will always be a great asset in making her welcome wherever she goes.

When Lynn is not around Mount Vernon's campus, she is usually at a college weekend enjoying it to its greatest extent.

Lynn's future plans include four years of college, and then—who knows?

White Team; Class Secretary II; CUPOLA III, IV; Glee Club I; Prep Players I; Social League IV; Sports Club II.





SUSAN ELIZABETH SHIFLEY

WASHINGTON, D. C.

One and one half Years

"Charms strike the sight, but merit wins the soul."

Susan came to Mount Vernon Seminary last year from France via Coronado, California, bringing with her an indescribable "Je ne sais quoi." She immediately became a part of the school taking a special interest as Art Editor of the yearbook. She is responsible for many of the posters on the walls of the hall, and, incidentally, she did all the illustrations for this yearbook. As senior representative to Social League, Sue has been a great help as decorations' committee chairman.

Very fluent in French she can often be seen babbling with another "etudiante francaise," leaping into Spanish every so often.

If you should ever travel in the direction of the Severn River, you will notice a thick cloud of dust, which is Susan on her way to Annapolis again.

Shall we next see Susan as an able diplomat in foreign lands? "Qui sait?"

Yellow Team; CUPOLA, Art Editor IV; Outing Club III; Social League IV.

PHARIS PENELOPE SPENCER

BALTIMORE, MARYLAND

Three Years

"She left no little things behind, excepting loving thoughts and kind."

Pharis Spencer came to Mount Vernon in her sophomore year. She helped in the class project, the fashion show; was chosen to be on the Yellow Team; and joined the business staff of CUPOLA. Because of her loyalty and the support that she has given to these activities, she has become an asset to her class.

In her junior year, Pharis again joined the CUPOLA Business Staff and participated in all class activities. She also joined Library Council and was a great help to Mrs. Wood.

She has been an enthusiastic and helpful member of her class, and we can sincerely say that Mount Vernon will always remember her for her readiness to cooperate whenever there was anything to be done.

Yellow Team; CUPOLA II, III, IV; Lend-a-Hand IV; Library Council III, IV; Sports Club III, IV.





JUDITH McKEVETT TEAGUE

OJAI, CALIFORNIA

Three Years

"... 'umble we are, 'umble we have been, 'umble we shall ever be."

Judy, our mild mannered vice-president, can be seen each morning carefully watching for rings, I.D. bracelets, and black loafers in the chapel line. Judy herself is characteristically meticulous in her appearance and is said to have the most immaculate closet and bureau in the entire dorm. She loves tennis and spends much time in the spring practicing. Her fingernails are her pride and joy, and she enjoys manicuring her own as well as those of all the other girls on the hall.

If you happen to want Judy just say the word "California" in an extra loud tone of voice and "Teague" is sure to appear before you can bat an eye. Mount Vernon will be sorry to see its "California sunshine" graduate this June, but can only be glad that it has been filled with Judy's warm, admirable personality for three years.

White Team; Class Vice-President III, IV; Basketball III; CUPOLA IV; Glee Club II, III; House Council Secretary II; Lend-a-Hand III, IV; Library Council IV.

JOYCE GUILFORD THOMPSON

ST. LOUIS, MISSOURI

Two Years

"Sweet, silent rhetoric of persuading eyes."

The dim figure you may see on the tennis courts after dusk is none other than our Miss Thompson, who indefatigably pursues one of her favorite pastimes—tennis. Joyce is by no means "one sided" in her interests or after-school activities; for she and other jazz enthusiasts can often be found in her room absorbing every beat of a record from her collection. At other times, Joyce may be found in the Field House thoroughly enjoying a bite to eat, topped with a generous amount of conversation or song.

Joyce's blue eyes and curly hair will be missed around the campus, when, as all good Mount Vernons do, she starts up the treacherous trail of college days.

White Team; Chapel Guild III; CUPOLA IV; Glee Club III; Lend-a-Hand III, IV.





PAMELA WALSWORTH

ANNAPOLIS, MARYLAND

Four Years

"Every production of genius must be the production of enthusiasm."

There could never be another Pam! Who else would have naturally blond, curly hair, a perpetual blush, a "frustrated face," and a (Severn) Riverside home not five miles from the U. S. Naval Academy? For four years, Pam has been a dependable and enthusiastic member of the class of '58. During those years, she has co-founded the TGFF (Thank Goodness For Friday) club, and the "Anti-Bop in the Field House" group. Seriously, she is now the competent, capable, president of the Day Students.

Pam—one of the most able gals you would want to know is also one of the most friendly persons here at M. V. S. In a voice hardly audible, she has a warm-hearted "hi" for everyone. A great deal of Pam's spare time is spent in water skiing, ice skating, playing the accordion, saving money for records for that hi-fi, dreaming about New England (especially Massachusetts), and doing write-ups for the literary staff of CUPOLA. Now don't you agree? There'll never be another Pam!

White Team; Chapel Guild IV; CUPOLA IV; Day Student Treasurer III, President IV; Prep Players I, II, III.

MARION ARMINGTON WATERMAN

JACKSONVILLE, FLORIDA

Two Years

"Mind is the great lever of all things."

Someone always seems to be asking, "Where is Marion?" Without a doubt this is because she is so much in demand, as Editor-in-Chief of CUPOLA. Marion can be found in a great assortment of places at unusual hours, such as behind the closed doors of a CUPOLA meeting late at night, or in the bathtub studying early in the morning.

Although she spends a large amount of time and energy on studies and CUPOLA, with excellent results, she manages to contribute her share to Field House gaiety with her lively conversation and sense of humor.

Marion's success in her endeavors is the result of intelligence and strength of purpose. These qualities are greatly admired by the class, for she has concentrated them into a project that is close to everyone at Mount Vernon—our yearbook.

Yellow Team; Cellophane III; CUPOLA, Assistant Editor III, Editor-in-chief IV.





LINDA LOU WEBB

WASHINGTON, D. C.

Four Years

*"There's nothing half so sweet in life
As love's young dream."*

Take a few varsity letters, long curly eyelashes, diets, a hairdo all her own, an enigmatic expression, and a four-year membership to the "gripe" club and you have just some of the things that make the Linda we know.

Linda's creative ability is clearly seen through her accomplishments in sewing. Also, she is the only girl we know at M. V. S. who appears every week with a new and different hair style.

Do you remember our Junior Class picnic at Sherwood Forest? This is just another example of Linda's willingness and desire to do things for others. You will always find her ready to offer anything in her power to give, whether it be gym clothes, dessert or a ride home. Her friendly personality and quick wit make her an asset at any group gathering. Linda will be remembered and missed as a distinctive part of the class of 1958.

Yellow Team; Baseball I, II, III, IV; CUPOLA III, IV; Sports Club I, II.

SARA JANE WELLS

ASHLAND, KENTUCKY

Two Years

"A horse, a horse, my kingdom for a horse."

Definitely an outdoor gal, Janie excels at all varsity sports and is an avid horse-lover. Many an exciting tale she has to tell of her adventures down in the "blue-grass" country with her horse, King.

As Yellow Team Captain, she has all the pep and efficiency that makes the team complete. Her spirit, vitality, and out-going manner make her very close to all of us here at Mt. Vernon. This vivaciousness extends in other directions, too, for Janie never lacks a Saturday date.

With Jane's lovely figure and beautiful blond hair she is the envy of many of us, but certainly it will not be just Jane's looks that we shall remember, but her gracious, gay and fun-loving nature, which has interwoven itself with our life at Mount Vernon.

Yellow Team, Captain IV; A. A. Vice-President III; Basketball III, IV; Baseball III; Glee Club III, IV; Hockey III, IV; Lend-a-Hand III.





JOYCE BARBARA WHITTEN

BAY POINT, MIAMI, FLORIDA

Two Years

"A good face is a letter of recommendation, as a good heart is a letter of credit."

If you have been wondering who that tall, sophisticated brunette is, just ask the girl next to you, and she will tell you, it's our own Joyce. She came to Mount Vernon Seminary last year and started off the year by being an active solo member in Glee Club. Perhaps some of you remember the wonderful work she did for the Junior-Senior Banquet, the conscientious typing for the Yellow Team skit, or the everlasting persistence to get dates for our Valley Forge program. This year you can find Joyce either buried in a Chemistry book, playing a game of bridge, or busily trying to smoke that second cigarette before every Study Hall. If you want a shoulder to cry on or a philosophical discussion, Joyce is always there to help. Trying to find Joyce here on a weekend is nearly impossible; it's either Georgetown, West Point, Annapolis, or some young gentleman from Washington. It isn't hard to see why she is popular.

Someday we might find Joyce as a journalist, business executive or a history teacher. Whatever she does, we wish her the best of luck.

Yellow Team; Carousel IV; Glee Club III, IV; Library Council IV.

SUSAN WIESE

YORKTOWN HEIGHTS, NEW YORK

Three Years

"Patience is the key of content."

If you hear a Southern drawl combined with a Yankee accent, you know it's Susie Wiese. Being from New York and rooming in the suite with Southern girls—why she just can't help it!

After being around Susie for five minutes you feel as if you would want her for one of your best friends. Her cute personality, understanding manner, plus natural sweetness, combine to make her one of the greatest girls you will ever hope to meet. Many a girl has found that Susie is a good person to call on when advice is needed.

One reason that Susie is so well liked is that her extracurricular talents cover such a large field. She might be seen painting a poster for CUPOLA, offering assistance in Lend-a-Hand, dashing to modern dance, singing in Madame Brodenova's studio, helping write gossip for "Word Bird," or cheering the Yellow Team to victory.

With the graduation of the '58 class goes a girl who owns a special quality that no one will ever replace.

Yellow Team; Hockey III; CUPOLA IV; Lend-a-Hand IV; Glee Club II, III.



Dear Student Body,

The time has come for me to thank each and every one of you for your co-operation and support during the year. The Student Body has responded well to new rules and suggestions. All of you have made the new lunch schedule a success. Without your support the Student Council could have accomplished nothing. Again this year the Honor Code was signed by all "new girls" in the Student Body who felt that they were capable of accepting the responsibilities that the Code placed upon them. Indeed, I think that the Code has become a large and very wonderful part of Mount Vernon life, but I do hope that in the years to follow our Code will be solidly inculcated into the very heart of our community

living here, for as we have learned from experience that honor furnishes the very savor of living. I hope that by now you have grown to love Mount Vernon, for it is you, the student body, who make it the school it is. This past year has been a wonderful one and I know I can rely on you to make an equal success of next year.

As we look back, there are fond remembrances, wonderful times, and deep friendships to be treasured. We are reluctant to close this chapter in the history of Mount Vernon. You don't know how much I shall miss all of you, but before saying farewell I want to thank you and wish you happiness, luck, and success through this coming year.

As Ever,

Berkeley

Abdication Song

*O'er our place the shadows gather
As the time draws near to part
As we linger here this morning
Face to face and heart to heart.*

CHORUS:

*Here's to thee oh Alma Mater
May thy name be ever blessed
On her name whose great heart planned thee
May thy daughter's blessing rest.*

*As you take these seats oh Juniors
May your tongues the chorus swell
Till you reach your day of parting
Till you also say farewell.*

CHORUS:

*Here's to thee oh Alma Mater
May thy name be ever blessed
On her name whose great heart planned thee
May thy daughter's blessing rest.*

*As we leave this place forever
To our hearts the sad truth tell
With our thoughts of love and sorrow
Now we bid them last farewell.*



a Senior Socialite—Prue?



*Look's like Senior Breakfast—
Marie, Berkeley, Mickey and
Pheb.*



The Janes are at it again.



*Pattie, Nancy and Sue really
have a good time in American
Civilization.*



*Mrs. Lowry won the door prize
at the Senior Fashion Show.
didn't she, Zelda and Phebe?*



*Does last minute study really
help, Berkeley and Susie?*



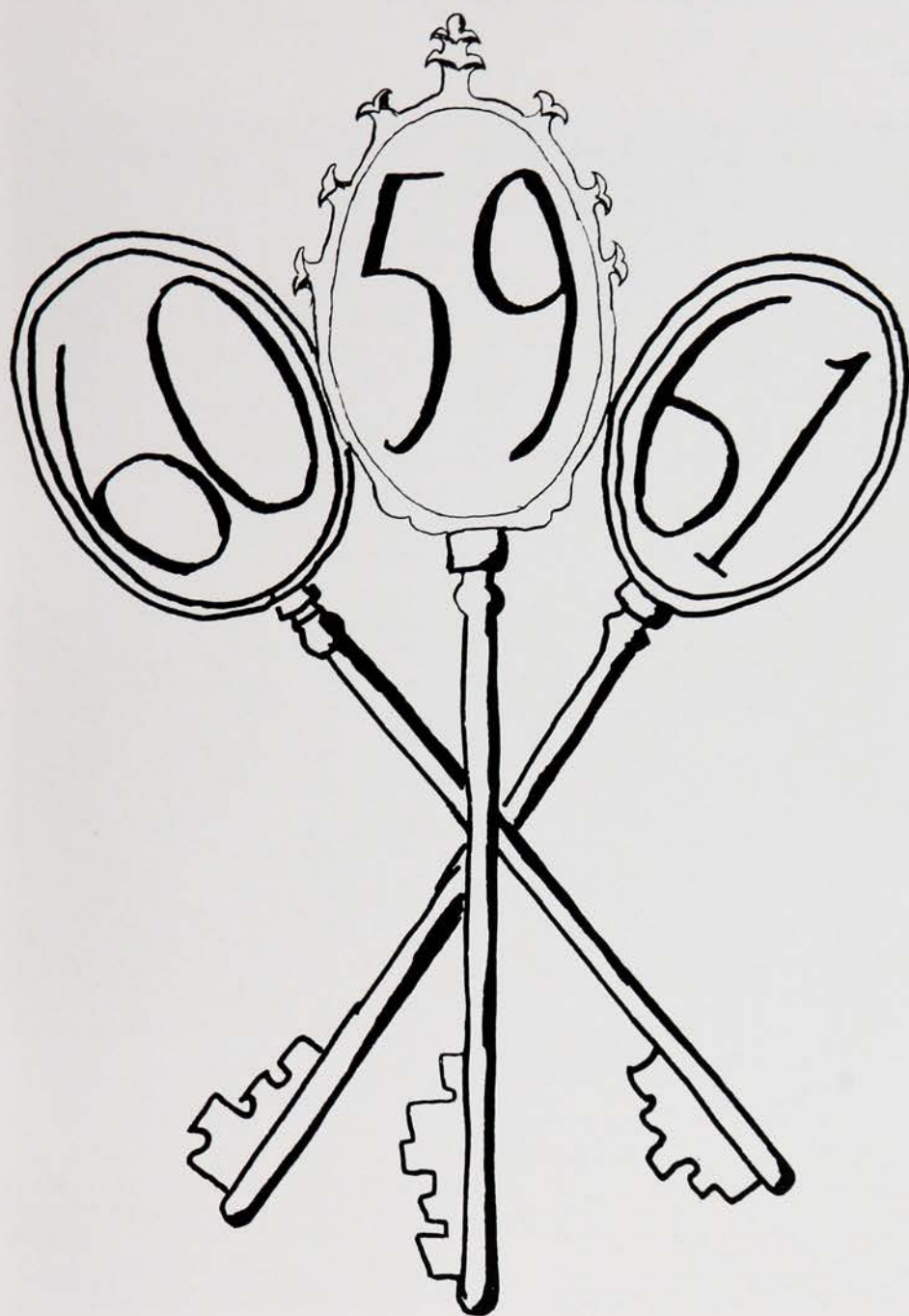
*Meditation is the root of all
evil, Pam.*



*Carole and Betsy sure do have
BIG eyes.*



It's me, Carroll Jean.



UNDERCLASSMEN...

The Class of 1959



First row, left to right: Theodora Theobald, Marta Miller, Gail Kredel, Vice-President; Louisa Arnett, Margo Dixon, Ilona Teleki, Barbara Beelar, Betsy Thompson, Suzy Starr. Second row, left to right: Nancy Coss, JoAnna Kern, Sandy Wolff, Miss Miller, Advisor; Candy Dalton, Nancy Barnes, President; Ruth Phillips, Barbara Painter, Linda Kefauver. Third row, left to right: Vickie Voell, Helen Ansell, Ginny Wright, Gerda Krois, Joan McCormack, Mary Lou Morton, Wanda Witt, Pamela Butler.

Form III has shown great potential this year. Their "Plymouth Rock" dance at Thanksgiving, was not only quite a success, but a delight to everyone in the school. With the assistance of their advisor, Miss Miller, they have also been busy planning the traditional Junior-Senior banquet in May.

The Junior class is well prepared and more than capable of assuming the leadership of the school next year. They have achieved, under the leadership and excellent example of their class President,



First row, left to right: Ann Collier Taylor, Secretary; Martha McDonald, Louise Coker, Cissy Lanier, Penny Millington, Treasurer; Margaret Ann Goldsmith. Second row, left to right: Edith Evans, Sue Jamison, Mary Drew Preston, Virginia Carnduff, Lindsay Ament, Nancy Durand. Third row, left to right: Letty McDonald, Patty Bledsoe, Constance Wheeler, Sandra Tausig. Fourth row, left to right: Sue Neuenschwander, Pamela Simpson, Melissa Shupp. Absent: Beverly Elson, Carol Maxwell, Dutch Morton.

a wonderful record of citizenship. In fact, thy won a flag honor and as the result, were privileged to lead the rest of the school into Chapel on Monday mornings. With the sense of responsibility that Form III has, next year promises to be one of the most outstanding. We expect great things of the class of '59.

The Class of 1960



First row, left to right: Patsy Toal, Cynthia Shaw, Vice-President; Bonnie Coe, Virginia Heron, Lee Jeffery, Betsy Dunn, Carol Lowen. Second row, left to right: Joan Brown, Betsy Howe, Doris Dezendorf, Secretary; Miss Fulton, Advisor; Chris Thomson, President; Sue Morris. Third row, left to right: Gretchen Scherer, Mary Charlotte Holland, Joan Mitchell, Bonnie Agner, Sandra Mosher, Carter Dunlop, Mary Elizabeth Brandli, Carol Wheeler.

A well-organized class, Form II made a wonderful success of their now traditional Variety Show. Girls from other forms participated in it; lending variety to the songs, acts, and skits. An evening of fun and entertainment was provided for the rest of the school and their guests, as well as its participants. The Class Advisor, Miss Fulton, was a great assistance in planning this project, just as she



First row, left to right: Kathy Lauer, Julieta Lacarte, Gina Simmons, Carolyn Preston, Mimi Smith, Genie Higgins. Second row, left to right, seated: Lucia Arteta, Carolyn McCluney, Katy Emrick, Suzanne Womack, Kathy Irwin, Charlotte Wallis. Third row, left to right, standing: Janis Wellin, Anita MacMillen, Angela Mead, Anne Echols, Mary Sykes, Treasurer; Kate Agar. Absent: Page Cannon, Nancy Fleming, Nancy Gottlieb, Daidie Matteson.

has been in all other matters. The Class President did outstanding work in leading the class, personally helping in all activities. The Sophomore Class has expanded this year, not just in number, but in experience. We are sure that in the following years, they will continue their fine work.

The Class of 1961



First row, left to right: Sallye Mickle, Julia Kinloch, Treasurer; Shirley Barnes, Dean Tyndall, Secretary. Second row, left to right: Mrs. Griffith, Advisor; Linda Blake, Courtney Hagner, Diana Devers, Susan Eastland, Betsy Thompson, Martha King, President. Third row, left to right: Jan Zimmerman, Linda Ainsworth, Teresa Slaughter, Carol Hay, Prudence McIntosh, Jean Hancock, Constance Ann Laughlin. Absent: Clare McIntyre, Vice-President.

As our newest addition to the school the First Form immediately adjusted to all aspects of school life, cheerfully participating in activities, and quietly concentrating on their studies.

Gaiety is their most outstanding asset. Their laughter is often heard through the halls. All is not fun for them, however, somehow they always manage to work as hard as anyone else.

A great deal of their enthusiasm is directed to their class projects. The "Calypso Rock" dance was indeed great fun.

The enthusiastic and helpful leadership of the President of the Class of 1961 and Mrs. Griffith's ever wise advice have indeed contributed towards making Mount Vernon proud of her Freshman Class.



Look's pretty interesting, Trink.



Home work . . . Teddy?



Is Christmas really here Dean, Angie, Lindsay, Clair, Anita, Carol and Pattie?



Betsy and Louise, glamorous as ever.



Who had the birthday Anne, Teddy, Betsy or Milissa?



Let's have a snow ball fight, Lucia and Louisa.



The double-decker Carols.



What's this a pyramid?—Dutch, Pattie, Sue, and Bobbie.



Slumber parties are fun aren't they, Lindsay, Nancy and Angie?



Who's your friend, Pam?



Vicki and Ginny sure made a hit at the old boarder-new boarder party.



What are you laughing at, Mary Drew?

Calendar of Events

SEPTEMBER

- 17—School days again
- 20—Old Boarder-New Boarder Party
- 27—A. A. Picnic

OCTOBER

- 18-20—Yearbook Conference at Columbia University
- 26—Halloween Dance
- 31—United Nations' Trip to New York for Seniors

NOVEMBER

- 5—Founder's Day
- 15—Yellow-White Hockey Game
- 19—Book Fair Assembly
- 23—"Plymouth Rock" dance

DECEMBER

- 6—Senior Fashion Show
- 14—Christmas Dance
- 16—Optima Christmas Party
- 17—School Christmas Program

FEBRUARY

- 14—Day Students' Valentine Party
- 18—Dedication of the "Chapel Room"
- 22—Senior Valentine Dance

APRIL

- 10—Pan American Day Assembly
- 25—Fathers' Day
"Onions in the Stew"

MAY

- 3—May Day program
May Day Dance for Seniors only
- 9-15—Election of new officers
- 9—Junior-Senior Banquet and Ringing Ceremony
- 10—Form I Calypso Dance
- 16—A. A. Banquet
- 23—Last Chapel
Day Students' picnic for boarders
- 28-29—Class Picnics
- 31—Reception of Seniors into Alumnae Association
Commencement Dance

JANUARY

- 17—Library Council Party
- 25-29—Mid Year Exams
- 31—Lake Placid Weekend

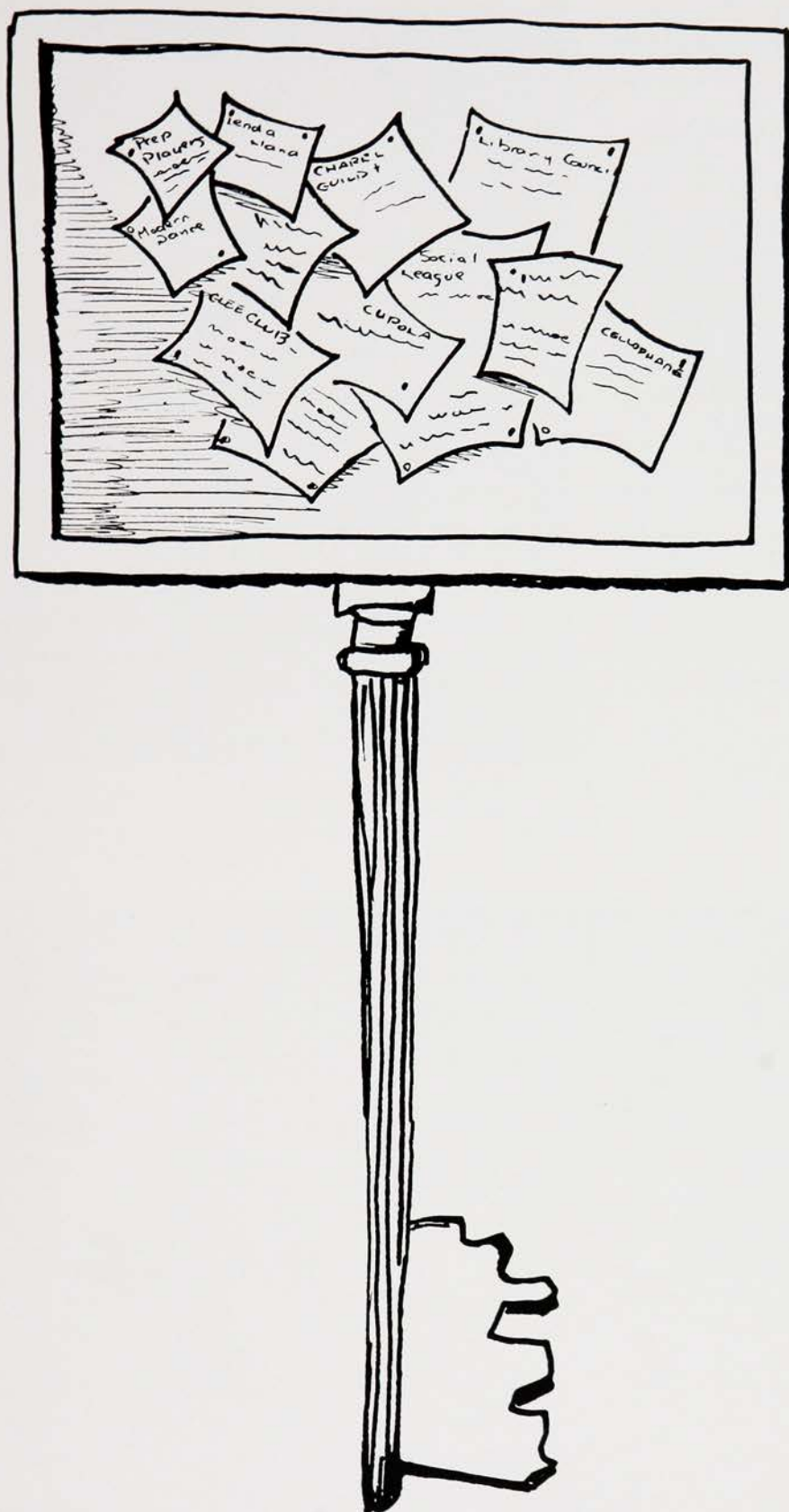
MARCH

- 1—Sophomore Variety Show
- 5-7—Posture Week—(tags)
- 10-12—We were evaluated
- 12—Modern Dance Program

JUNE

- 1—Baccalaureate
Class Night
- 2—Commencement!!!
Good-Bye, Mount Vernon





ACTIVITIES...

The Student Council at Mount Vernon

The Student Council is a very active organization of the school made up of the President and Vice-President of each Form along with the President of Optima and the Student Body Representative. During the year the Council works to interpret the needs and opinions of the Student Body, and to uphold the standards of citizenship in the school. This year the most important work of the Council has been on the Honor Code. The Council hopes that this Code will be a strong part

of life at Mount Vernon. Also a new schedule for lunch has been put in and is working very well. At the end of each semester the Council helps to make up the citizenship Honor Roll, on which each student strives to attain a place. In addition to these things the Student Council has its own project, a charity drive for crippled children. Always very busy, the Student Council tries to promote a greater understanding of the rules, to be our key to good citizenship.



STUDENT COUNCIL—Seated, left to right: Gail Kredel, Phebe Sherman, Berkeley Jennings, Martha King, Nancy Barnes, Cindy Shaw. Standing, left to right: Judy Teague, Jane Evins, Chris Thomson, Miss Gutheim, Advisor. Absent: Clare McIntyre, Constance Wheeler.



House Council

The House Council provides student government in the dormitories. It is made up of the proctors from each of the corridors, an elected secretary and the President of the House, Andrea LeVan. House Council meets in Somers Recreation Room at such times as seem necessary for the discussion of matters of importance within the boarding department.

Every year House Council sponsors several parties for the boarders. This year the Old Girl-New Girl Party was a great success in getting the year started.

HOUSE COUNCIL—*Left to right, sitting:* Sue Jamison, Charlotte Wallis. *Seated:* Mary Drew Preston, Secretary; Andrea LeVan, President; Sheila Quinn, Doris Orr. *Standing:* Penny Millington. *Absent:* Carol Brooks, Dian Chorney, Ann Eccles, Kathy Irwin, Teddy Theobald.



STUDENT OFFICERS—*Front row, left to right:* Berkeley Jennings, Marian Waterman, Jane Evins. *Second row, left to right:* Phebe Sherman, Sally Gearhart, Carroll Gatliff, Pattie Blackburn, Pam Walsworth, Andrea LeVan.

Optima



Standing, left to right: Mary Lou Morton, Nancy Barnes, Mrs. Lloyd, Advisor; Jane Evins, President; Berkeley Jennings, Carter Dunlop, Sandra Mosher, Mary Drew Preston, Luz Freire. Seated, left to right: Gail Kredel, Marta Miller, Nancy Bourgerie, Susie Cordon, Charlotte Wallis, Virginia Carnduff. Absent: Doris Dezendorf, Beverly Lawson, Miss Gutheim.

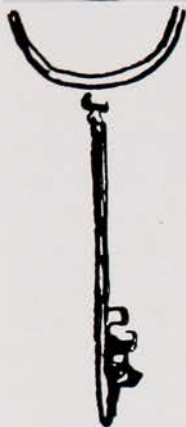
The girls clad in white on the first Monday of a new report period are not prospective nurses, but girls who have fulfilled the requirements for Optima. To become a member of "the best," a girl must make three out of four Academic as well as Citizenship honor rolls. She must also have the unanimous vote of the Optima members.

Each year Optima gives a Christmas party for the little children of Friendship House. When the Alumnae visit in the Fall, or on other occasions, Optima members act as hostesses.

This year Optima held a raffle and gave teas for our guest assembly speakers. In the Spring, all the "Optima-ists" enjoy the special privilege of a "day-off" as a reward for their consistent hard work throughout the year.

Although Optima does not have weekly meetings, Mount Vernon's honor club is an ever present reminder of outstanding achievement.





CHAPEL GUILD

The Chapel Guild is Mount Vernon's Religious Organization. Its members meet and work together for the purpose of bringing an awareness of God into the daily life of the school.

The prevailing activity of the Chapel Guild is to organize morning chapel services at the beginning of the school day. These services are participated in by all the members of the student body as well as by the Faculty. Each Thanksgiving the Chapel Guild places garlands of fruit around the altar which later go to the Home for the Incurables in Washington. This year, as well as sending representatives to a religious conference for young people, the Chapel Guild has helped to dedicate a small Chapel Room set aside on campus for personal prayer and meditation.

Our morning Chapel services and the general works of the Chapel Guild have provided essential spiritual strength for the daily life of the whole school.



Seated, left to right: Doris Orr, Helen Ansell, Suzy Starr, Donna Coe, Virginia Wright, Susan Heyn, Pam Walsworth, Andrea LeVan, Beverly Lawson, Susie Cordon, Berkeley Jennings, Janis Wellin. Standing, left to right: Barbara Painter, Candy Dalton, Mary Drew Preston, Sue Jamison, Ann Collier Taylor, JoAnna Kern, Vicki Bateman, Nancy Coss, Cissy Lanier, Carroll Gatliff, President; Bonnie Agner, Bonnie Coe. Absent: Mary Bernard, Linda Blake, Mickey Catsman, Julieta Lacarte, Teresa Slaughter, Constance Wheeler.



LEND-A-HAND

Lend-a-Hand is the philanthropic organization at Mount Vernon, our key to the world of social service. Each girl is a member but the ones pictured below are those who are most active. In the course of the year, Lend-a-Hand, under the leadership of Barrie Manning, the president, and Mrs. Eccles, the advisor, took part in many nation-wide campaigns as well as working at Garfield Hospital and the Georgetown Neighborhood House. Lend-a-Hand also sponsored and supported a Greek child to whom a monthly check and clothes were sent in return for the heart-warming letters we have received. This year, for the first time, the girls have taken a nurse's aide course.

Lend-a-Hand is a truly worthwhile organization, as it teaches the girls the importance of doing for others, and helps them discover the satisfaction to be discovered in a job well done.



First row, left to right: Sally Gearhart, Susan Heyn, Mickey Catsman, Barrie Manning, President; Diana Hillow, Gail Coakley. Second row, left to right: Gail Kredel, Pamela Simpson, Martha McDonald, Constance Wheeler, Carroll Gatliiff, Andrea LeVan, Betsy Andreae, Mrs. Eccles, Advisor; Carole Brooks, Patty Bledsoe. Third row, left to right: Nancy Barnes, Sandra Tausig, Sandy Wolff, Penny Millington, JoAnna Kern, Candy Dalton, Ruth Phillips, Nancy Coss, Edith Blair, Letty McDonald, Margaret Ann Goldsmith, Suzy Starr. Fourth row, left to right: Mary Sykes, Suzanne Womack, Melissa Shupp, Anne Echols, Cynthia Shaw, Susan Morris, Margaret Dunn, Donna Coe, Dian Chorney, Katherine Weaver, Virginia Wright, Vicki Bateman, Beverly Lawson, Susan Wiese, Kathy Lauer, Joyce Thompson, Sue Neuenschwander. Fifth row, left to right: Dutch Morton, Susan Eastland, Katherine Emrick, Kathy Irwin, Sallye Mickle, Mary Drew Preston, Sue Jamison, Margo Dickson, Marie Jennings, Rickie Nissen, Lucia Arteta, Chris Thomson. Absent: Anne Lanier, Phebe Sherman, Ann Collier Taylor, Judy Teague.

CUPOLA

During the course of several months, a large group of girls, divided into smaller staffs, works toward one goal—the publication of our yearbook. These staffs, Business, Photography, Art, and Literary, are headed by the members of the Yearbook Board. In unity, each individual contributes her share, the end result being the 1958 CUPOLA. We hope that you will both treasure and enjoy these pages, as the key to happy memories.



MARION WATERMAN
Editor-in-Chief



LITERARY STAFF—Left to Right: Pam Walsworth, Srta. Carroll, Advisor; Nancy Howar, Beverly Lawson, Jean McInnis, Literary Editor. Absent: Luz Freire.



ART STAFF—Front Row, left to right: Pamela Butler, Sue Shifley, Art Editor. Second Row, left to right: Vicki Voell, Mary Sykes, Carroll Gatliff, Susan Wiese, Andrea LeVan. Third Row, left to right: Janis Wellin, Helen Ansell. Absent: Beverly Elson, Assistant Yearbook Editor.

PHOTOGRAPHY STAFF—Standing, left to right: Mary Drew Preston, CUPOLA Treasurer; Sue Jamison. Sitting, left to right: Joan Mitchell, Sandy Tausig, Donna Coe, Phebe Sherman, Jane Evins, Judy Teague, Doris Orr, Photography Editor.



BUSINESS STAFF—First Row, left to right: Sally Gearhart, Joyce Thompson, Anne Lanier, Susan Eastland, Marie Jennings. Second Row, left to right: Peggy Dickson, Letty McDonald, Zelda Kraft, standing, Business Manager; Diana Devers, Linda Webb, Mary Charlotte Holland. Absent: Edith Blair, Pharis Spencer.



Carousel, Another Literary Activity

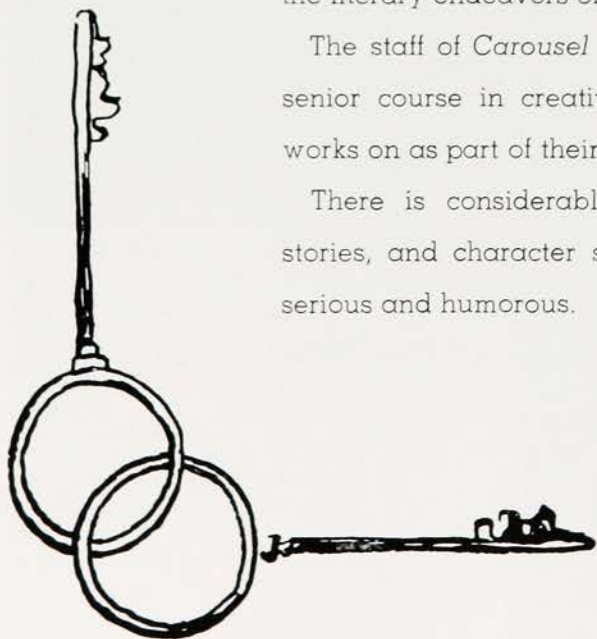


Left to right: Susie Cordon, Nancy Renfro, Joyce Whitten, Mrs. Lowry, Advisor; Susan Heyn, Jane Evins, Pattie Blackburn. Absent: Jean McInnis.

Mount Vernon publishes a literary magazine in the spring. Girls from every class contribute. In this way *Carousel* is a school magazine, not just representing the literary endeavors of the Seniors.

The staff of *Carousel* is composed of the girls in the English V class, which is a senior course in creative writing. *Carousel* is the project that English V class works on as part of their training.

There is considerable to be found in this magazine; poems, essays, short stories, and character sketches provide a wide range of reading material, both serious and humorous.





CELLOPHANE

Cellophane, the paper that wraps up the news, is Mount Vernon's newspaper. An issue filled with the latest news of campus life comes out every month. This year we have made each issue a different color and have made the paper a new size; both of these changes have been very successful. We have also tried to use originality and imagination in each of our issues. The "Mr. Cellophane Contest" received enthusiastic support and many entries.

This year with Marta Miller as Editor-in-Chief, Nancy Barnes as Art Editor, Ann Goldsmith as Feature Editor, Nancy Durand as Humor Editor, Gail Kredel as Photography Editor, Jan Zimmerman as Sports Editor, Penny Millington as Word Bird Editor, and Mary Lou Morton as Business Manager, we have tried, with the help of Mr. Kleindorfer, our able Advisor, to put a paper out that would both inform and entertain the students of Mount Vernon.



Standing, left to right: Ann Goldsmith, Mary Lou Morton, Penny Millington, Nancy Durand, Gail Kredel, Marta Miller, Editor; Jan Zimmerman, Mr. Kleindorfer, Advisor; Nancy Barnes. Seated, left to right: Diana Hillow, Barbara Painter, Dutch Morton, Pamela Butler, Carol Maxwell, Wanda Witt, Doris Dezendorf, Sue Morris, Betsy Dunn, Betsy Howe, Lee Jeffery, Nancy Gottlieb, Nancy Coss, Daidie Matteson.



PREP PLAYERS

"No rest for the weary" may well be the motto for Prep Players. No sooner did we get here in the fall than the Christmas play had to be chosen and cast. "Star Song" was the selection and was completely successful. After Christmas vacation we plunged into choosing the play for Spring. It was difficult, for many good plays were put up for consideration, but finally we decided to give "Onions in the Stew," a comedy concerning family life. It was written by Betty ("The Egg and I") MacDonald. After many hours spent in rehearsing with Mrs. Heflin tearing her hair out, we were ready for April 25. No one will ever know how happy and gratified we felt when our efforts were rewarded by applause. Our plays are all over, but now we look toward next year and more productions, knowing that for those of us who participate in putting on a play, the experience itself is a very special key to the world of the stage.

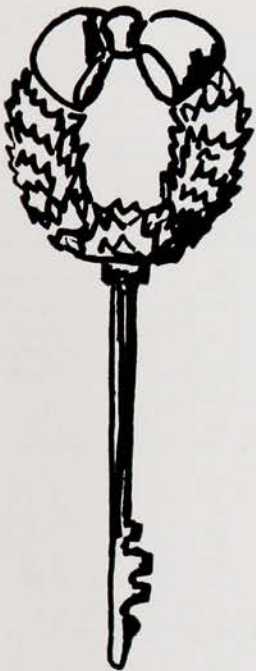


Front row, seated and kneeling, left to right: Janis Hardin, Susie Cordon, President; Barbara Painter, Cissy Lanier, Betsy Thompson, Ann Collier Taylor, Barbara Beelar, Mrs. Heflin, Director; Nancy Bourgerie, Virginia Heron, Patsy Toal, Gail Coakley, Diana Hallow, Charlotte Wallis, Carol Wheeler, Martha King. Second row, standing, left to right: Constance Laughlin, Virginia Carnduff, Genie Higgins, Carter Dunlop, Mimi Smith, Edith Evans, Carol Lowen, Gerda Krois, Betsy Thompson (Form I), Chris Thomson, Shirley Barnes, Bonnie Agner, Sandra Mosher, Ginny Wright. Absent: Mary Bernard, Dian Chorney, Courtney Hagner, Linda Kefauver, Gretchen Scherer.

Christmas Program at Mt. Vernon



"Star Song" was given by Prep Players at Christmas.



Above is a scene from *Star Song*. Everyone felt that this play was indeed a triumph for Prep Players, for each of us felt more nearly the true spirit of Christmas after we had seen this appropriate play so well produced and acted.

In the Glee Club Operetta two little children dream of a chorus of angels (portrayed by the majority of the Glee Club) looking down from Heaven onto the Christ Child. The children in their dreams see other children from foreign lands paying homage to the Divine Infant each in the way of her native land.

The Glee Club gave a Christmas Operetta.



GLEE CLUB

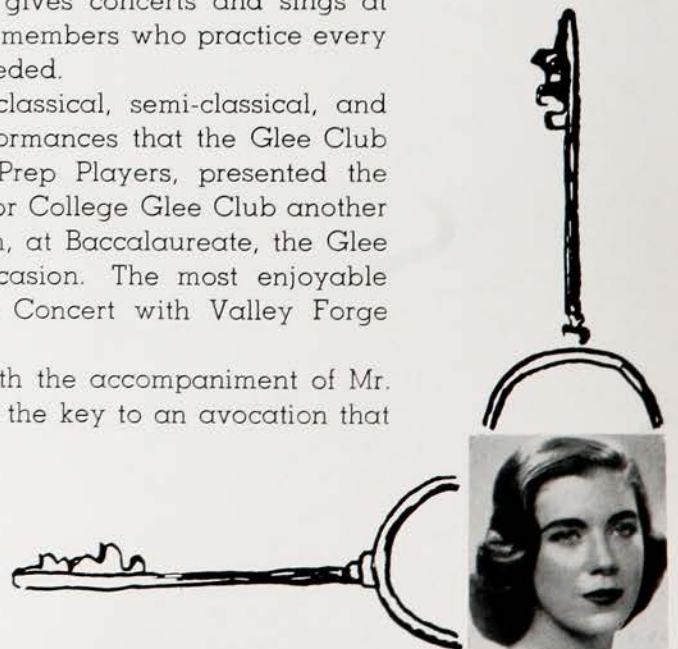


First row, left to right: Bonnie Coe, JoAnna Kern, Joyce Whitten, Dutch Morton, Sheila Quinn, President; Vicki Bateman, Gina Simmons, Joan McCormack, Kathy Irwin. Second row, left to right: Beverly Elson, Daidie Matteson. Third row, left to right: Carol Hay, Nancy Durand, Mary Elizabeth Brandli, Julieta Lacarte, Candy Dalton, Madame Brodenova, Director; Mr. Laufman, Pianist; Nancy Renfro, Lucia Arteta, Sue Neuenschwander, Joan Brown. Fourth row, left to right: Anita MacMillen, Margo Dickson, Betsy Howe, Betsy Dunn, Sue Morris, Nancy Gottlieb. Fifth row, left to right: Kathy Lauer, Katy Emrick, Lee Jeffrey, Louisa Arnett, Ruth Phillips, Kate Agar, Louise Coker, Dean Tyndall, Susan Heyn, Julia Kinloch. Sixth row, left to right: Helen Ansell, Linda Nelson, Doris Dezendorf, Theodora Theobald, Lindsay Ament, Angela Mead, Pam Simpson, Jane Wells, Wanda Witt, Clare McIntyre, Linda Ainsworth, Teresa Slaughter, Sallye Mickle. Absent: Linda Blake, Joan Brown, Michael Ihlder, Carolyn McCluney, Carolyn Preston, Ilona Teleki.

The Glee Club is our choral singing group that gives concerts and sings at Sunday Evening Vespers. It is composed of fifty-one members who practice every Tuesday, as well as at whatever extra time may be needed.

A variety of music is offered to the members: classical, semi-classical, and religious. This is a wide scope, suitable to the performances that the Glee Club gives. At Christmas, the Glee Club, along with Prep Players, presented the Annual Christmas Program. Combined with the Junior College Glee Club another program was given at the May Day Festival. Again, at Baccalaureate, the Glee Club contributed its singing to the memorable occasion. The most enjoyable concert for the members was the joint Glee Club Concert with Valley Forge Military Academy.

Through the help of Madame Brodenova and with the accompaniment of Mr. Laufman, the members of the Glee Club have found the key to an avocation that will provide much enjoyment through life.





LIBRARY COUNCIL

The Library, enlarged last year through the generosity of Mrs. Marjorie Merriweather Post, is the center of quiet study and research as well as of an unnoticeable yet not unnoticed activity. This silent hum is the Library Council at work. A volunteer group of twenty-six girls devote at least one free period a week to this organization. Their many jobs range from preparing books for circulation to cataloguing periodicals and planning exhibits. There is usually a council girl at the call desk who is willing to help you with your every need whether it be a term paper or just a book for recreational reading.

The Library Council girls are not only a great help to Mrs. Wood in maintaining the efficiency of the library but they themselves learn the intricacies of a library set-up.

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First row, left to right: Judy Teague, Diana Hillow, Andrea LeVan, Mary Lou Morton, Linda Nelson, Patsy Toal, Virginia Heron. Second row, left to right: Jane Evins, JoAnna Kern, Candy Dalton, Mickey Catsman, Mrs. Wood, Advisor; Peggy Dickson, President; Mrs. Davis, Advisor; Carter Dunlop, Joyce Whitten. Third row, left to right: Linda Blake, Pharis Spencer, Mary Bernard, Susie Cordon, Edith Blair, Marta Miller, Gretchen Scherer, Joan Mitchell, Bonnie Agner, Diana Devers, Sandra Mosher. Absent: Bonnie Coe, Jan Zimmerman.



SOCIAL LEAGUE

The Social League gives three dances during the year: The Halloween Welcome Dance, The Christmas Formal, and The Commencement Dance. They are the key to our social life at Mount Vernon. Two representatives from each class, a day student, and a boarder, are elected to plan the dances. The president, the representatives, and other interested members of the student body organize the dances. This year the different aspects of planning the dance were separated into committees: refreshments, band, decorations, and other activities.

Almost the whole school came to The Halloween Dance which was decorated in the usual orange and black. The center of attraction was a huge spider web, fully equipped with a spider.

The Christmas Dance, too, was a big success with the beautiful Christmas tree motif.

The Commencement Dance was a night that no one will forget, especially the Seniors.

This year the Social League members have worked hard planning and preparing these dances which turned out to be well worth the work put into them.



First row, left to right: Diana Devers, Nancy Durand. Second row, left to right: Mrs. Browne, Advisor; Pattie Blackburn, President; Patty Bledsoe, Mimi Smith, Susan Shifley, Anne Lanier. Absent: Martha King, Susan Morris.

The Christmas and Valentine Dances





Optima has their annual Friendship House Christmas . . .

Pleasant moments during the year



Chapel Guild decorates the altar for Thanksgiving . . .



The Cupola board attends the Columbia University Yearbook Conference . . .



The Seniors give a fashion show . . .

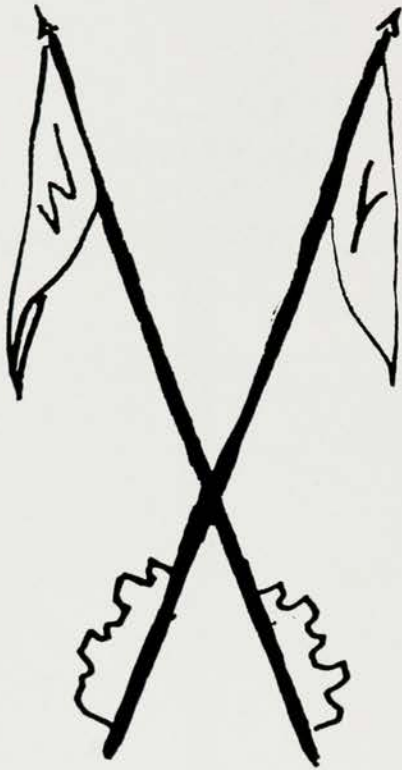
Mount Vernon celebrates Founder's Day . . .





SPORTS...

Sports at M. V. S.



The Athletic Association is one of the organizations at Mount Vernon of which everyone is a member and in which everyone participates in one way or another, either by cheering or playing or being a member of the A.A. Board. The A.A. is our key to healthy, active living.

Our Board consists of the Yellow and White Team Captains, a vice-president, a secretary-treasurer, a representative from each form and Mrs. Evans as the advisor.

The aim of the Board is to promote interest and enthusiasm among girls in Athletic Activities.

The A.A. Picnic is the first event of the season where all the new girls find out which team they will support during their stay at Mount Vernon. Races, games, and relays are played. There are other Field days in hockey, basketball, and baseball where points are received toward the ban-

ners and letters.

Posture Week is another Team affair where the best poster, slogan, song, and skit are chosen on the last day by faculty judges.

Badminton, volleyball, and basketball are the games played in intramurals. This gives the girls who have the spirit and pep but do not excel in ability the chance to receive points.

At the end of the year the annual A.A. Banquet is held. This shows what achievements have been made throughout the year. The banner, plaque, and point cup are awarded; varsity letters are given out, and new Team Captains are announced. Everyone seems to enjoy the function because everyone is a part. This banquet brings to a close the Athletic Association Activities for the year.

We owe a great deal to the A. A.



A. A. BOARD—Left to right: Nancy Gottlieb, Mary Elizabeth Brandli, Jane Wells, Lindsay Ament, Sally Gearhart, President; Mrs. Evans, Advisor; Cissy Lanier, Kneeling Center. Absent: Susan Heyn, Courtney Hagner.

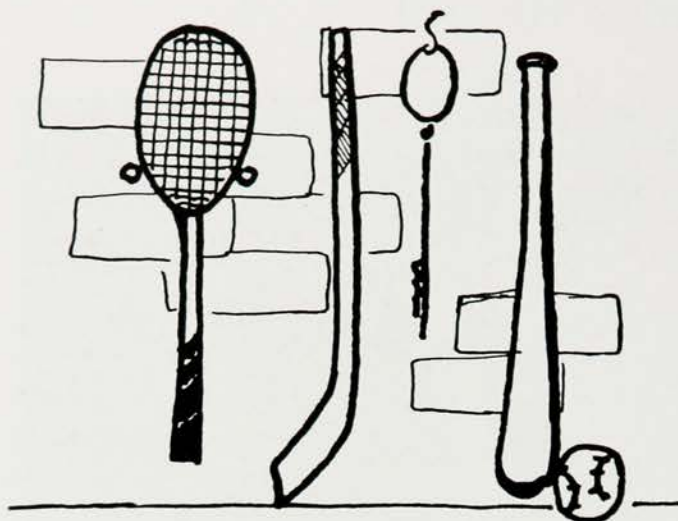
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Madeira 1.....	1 MVS
Holton Arms 0.....	1 MVS
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In the Fall



YELLOW TEAM VARSITY HOCKEY—Left to right: Dutch Morton, Carolyn McCluney, Candy Dalton, Jane Wells, Nancy Gottlieb, Patti Blackburn, JoAnna Kern.

WHITE TEAM VARSITY HOCKEY—Left to right: Phebe Sherman, Sally Gearhart, Lindsay Ament, Cissy Lanier, Susan Heyn, Berkeley Jennings, Mary Drew Preston, Beverly Lawson, Dean Tyndall, Chris Thomson, Anita McMillen, Mary Elizabeth Brandli, Carol Wheeler, Diana Hillow, Captain.



They Cheered Us On



WHITE TEAM CHEERLEADERS—First row, left to right: Charlotte Wallis, Constance Ann Laughlin, Ann Collier Taylor, Constance Wheeler, Margaret Ann Goldsmith. Second row, left to right: Susan Heyn, Martha McDonald, Captain; Virginia Carnduff.



YELLOW TEAM CHEERLEADERS—Kneeling, left to right: Letty McDonald, Barbara Beelar, Sue Neuenschwander. Standing, left to right: Katherine Emrick, Patty Bledsoe, Ruth Phillips.

On the Basketball Courts



WHITE TEAM BASKETBALL—Left to right: Carol Wheeler, Mary Elizabeth Brandli, Cissy Lanier, Marta Miller, Nancy Barnes, Anita McMillen, Martha McDonald, Lindsay Ament, Angela Mead, Gerda Krois, Phebe Sherman, Sally Gearhart, Center.



YELLOW TEAM BASKETBALL—Left to right: Jane Wells, Clare McIntyre, Letty McDonald, Patty Bledsoe, Nancy Gottlieb, Courtney Hagner, Jane Evins, Genie Higgins, Suzanne Womack, Carolyn McCluney, Front Center.

And in the Spring . . .

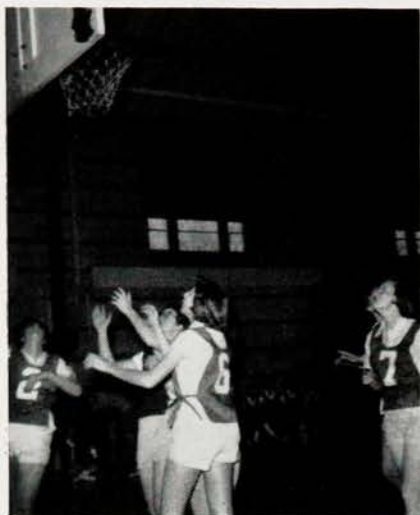


TENNIS TEAM—Back row, left to right: Mary Elizabeth Brandli, Beverly Lawson, Sally Gearhart, Sandy Wolff, Cissy Lanier. Second row, left to right: Lindsay Ament, Anita McMillen, Gerda Krois, Dean Tyndall.



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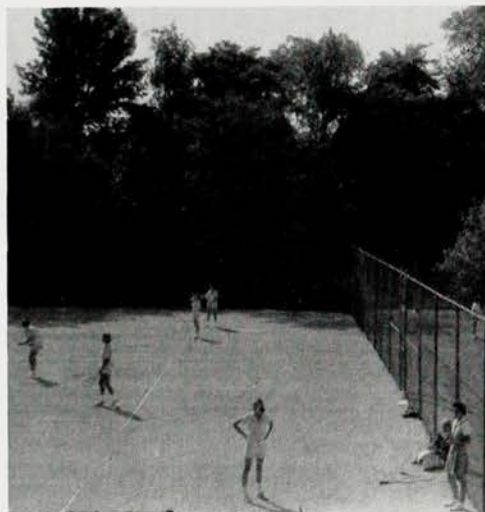
*White Team spirit is never gonna
die . . .*



The gym after a big game . . .



*Snow, snow, snow, and more
snow . . .*



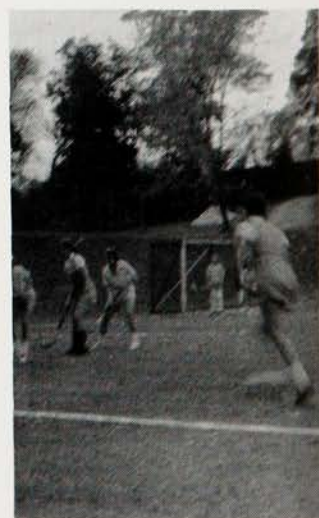
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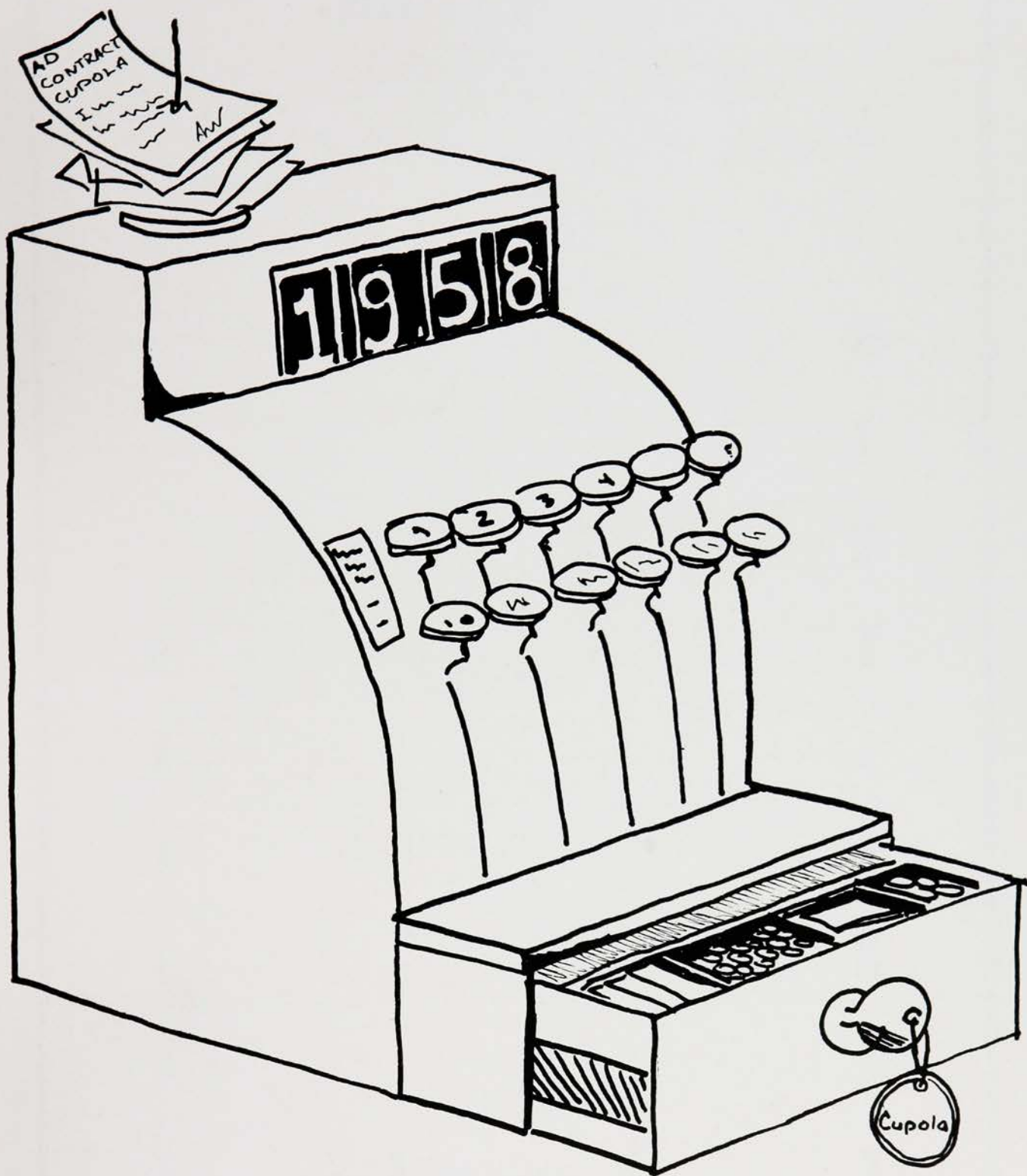
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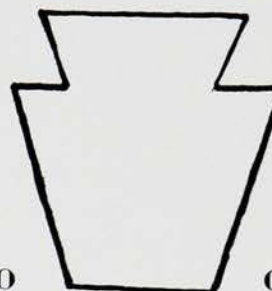


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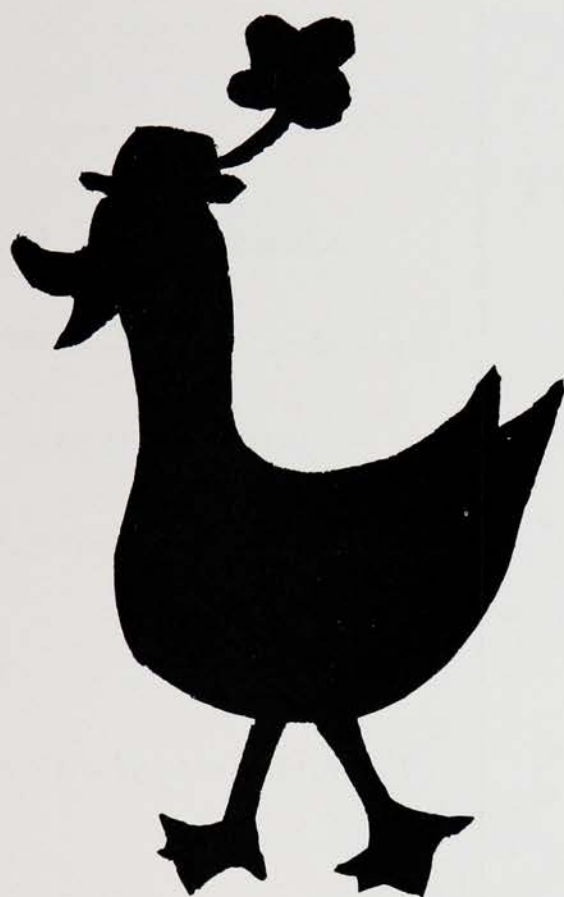
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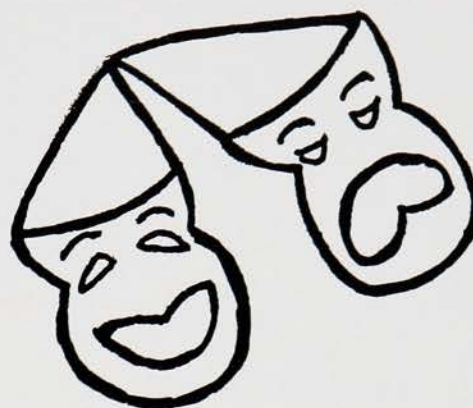
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ARTICLE II

Section 1. The purpose of the Council shall be to interpret the needs and the opinion of the student body, to establish and maintain standards of citizenship which the student body will follow, and to recommend to the faculty rules and changes suggested and supported by the student body.

Section 2. The duties of the Council are to set an example for the school by sincerely trying to carry out all regulations and thus earning the right to enforce them, to make clear what is expected of each student so that we may live in closer understanding and harmony, and to be the judicial body of the school. This last includes seeing that the rules are obeyed, trying to find out why a certain rule is disobeyed, and, if necessary, disciplining the offenders (with the consent of the Headmistress and the Administration). Another duty is to orient new students. This includes appointing a student advisor for the first form until they have officers of their own, being hostesses at an introductory party for the new students, and being personally responsible for the new students, seeing that they become acquainted with the school. During the fall of each school year, the Student Council will present the Honor Assembly, at which time students will pledge their loyalty to the honor code of Mount Vernon by signing the Honor Pledge. Other duties are to nominate candidates for the citizenship honor rolls, to attend all student and school functions possible in order to promote more interest, to enforce dress regulations, to maintain order in the study hall and library, to maintain order in chapel, to assist extra-curricular activities if they desire the Council's help, and to read and be responsible for living up to the constitution.

ARTICLE III

Section 1. The members of the council shall be: the Student Body President, the President of Optima, a student body representative (elected from the first three forms), and the president and vice-president of each of the four forms.

Section 2. The Headmistress of the preparatory school shall be an honorary member of the council.

Section 3. The Student Body President shall be the presiding officer, and the Optima President shall preside in her absence. The Student Body Representative shall be the secretary and treasurer.

Section 4. At least one faculty member, nominated by the Council and appointed by the Headmistress, shall be advisor to the Council. The faculty advisor(s) shall serve for one year and may be eligible for re-election.

Section 5. Each member of the council shall have one vote, except the presiding officer. The Headmistress has veto power.

ARTICLE IV

The Council shall have as many meetings a month as necessary.

ARTICLE V

The qualifications to be met by a student to merit a place on the Citizenship Honor Rolls are loyalty to the school, integrity, dependability, courtesy, thoughtfulness, constructive participation in school functions and class activities, good sportsmanship, commendable speech, behavior, attitude and dress—both in school and off-campus—excellent house record if the student is a boarder, and nomination and unanimous vote by the council.

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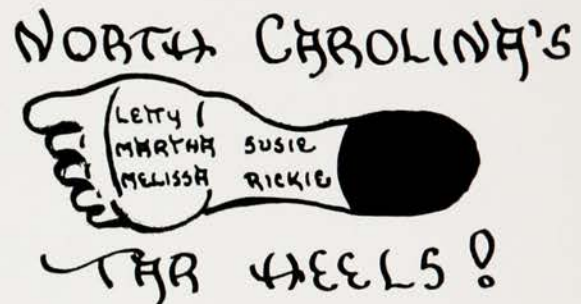
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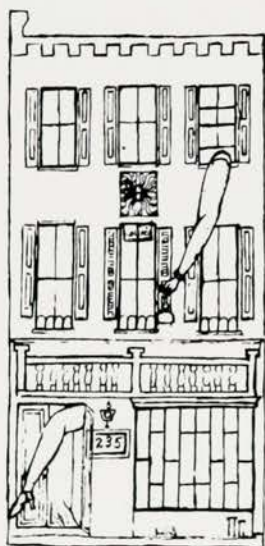
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